MEMORANDUM June 3, 1968

To: Members of the Program Committee

From: Paul Anthony

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Enclosed is an effort at a very brief summary of the first meeting of the Program Committee. Needless to say, your suggestions for changes in this will be most welcomed.

Please note that the Committee has selected Saturday, July 13th as the date of its next meeting. The meeting will commence at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel. At your convenience please indicate on the enclosed card whether or not you will attend.

M E M O R A N D U M

June 3, 1968

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Ed Stanfield

I have just come from an informal luncheon with the staff of the Board of National Ministries, Presbyterian Church, U. S., at which I talked and answered questions about SRC. They are interested in some sort of liaison with us. They have been doing some good things recently.

It occurs to me that Dr. J. Sherrard Rice of that staff might be a good prospect for membership on our board. He is fairly young, very knowledgeable, and has some acquaintance with SRC because of his membership, for a number of years, on the Board of the South Carolina Council.

In any event, they would like to have someone from their shop attend our next annual meeting as an observer. Dr. John Anderson is Executive Secretary, and any invitation should go (I suppose) to him with the understanding that he could designate someone from his staff to attend.

MEMORANDUM June 3, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony

The first meeting of the Program Committee met on Wednesday, May 22nd. Enclosed is a brief summary of that committee's discussions. The meeting was an extremely good one, and I think this group will be very productive.

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June 3, 1968

Dr. J. Sherrard Rice
Board of National Ministries
Presbyterian Church, U. S.
341 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Sherrard:

I enjoyed very much the lunch with your staff. Let's keep in touch.

Under separate cover we are sending three copies of our current publications list.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 3, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is our check for $750.00 in response to your proposal, dated May 27, 1968, to enable the Florida Council to participate in a summer service project in Clearwater. We are happy, of course, to be able to do this.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter, as usual, and return it for our auditors.

The news that things are looking up a little is heartening.

Continuing good wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 3, 1968

The Honorable Arthur J. Goldberg
Chief of the United States
Mission to the United Nations
New York, New York

My dear Ambassador Goldberg:

The Southern Regional Council will hold its Annual Meeting on November 13 - 15, 1968. On the evening of November 14th we will have the Annual Dinner of the Council attended by members and staff of the Council and a number of friends from Atlanta and elsewhere in the region. This is to convey to you the Council's invitation for you to be our speaker on that occasion.

The Council is a body of 100 distinguished Southerners that meets annually. A list of members is enclosed.

Speakers in recent years have been Kenneth Clark, C. Vann Woodward, Roy Wilkins and Governor LeRoy Collins. The Southern Regional Council has long been an admirer of your interest in, and contributions to, those areas of concern we share. We would be most grateful if you would consider being with us on Thursday evening, November 14th, and would welcome you

as our guest throughout any portion of the meeting which you found it convenient to attend.

We will, of course, be responsible for your expenses and can offer a modest honorarium of $300.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 3, 1968

Mr. Louis Wennick
Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Wennick:

Shortly after our conference on February 14th, I received an informal message that you were considering coming to Atlanta for general information, and then we might have another conversation on the future potentials of the Urban Planning Project at SRC. Because I would not want to miss you, I thought I should let you know that I will be out of the office from June 7th through June 21st, attending a Group Relations Conference at Mount Holyoke College, being conducted by the Washington School of Psychiatry.

You possibly might be interested in knowing my reason for going. It seems possible that in my experiences the last 2½ years that I have been able to have my most effective impact on individuals whereas if there were 2 or more, the influence could have been better. I realize that any professional is faced with this problem in effecting change. I also am aware that this conference could be of no help, but I felt it worth the two weeks concentrated effort.

If it would be of any confenience to you, I could drop by New York on my way back to Atlanta if you would be available on the 24th of June.

Looking forward to seeing you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

June 3, 1968

Mr. Norman Hill
Associate Director,
A. Philip Randolph
Educational Fund
217 West 125th Street
New York, N.Y. 10027

Dear Norm,

Thanks for changing the dates for the Young Militants Conference to June 28,29 and 30th. I was beginning to doubt whether I would be able to make the meeting this weekend.

Good luck in your work with the June 19th Mobilization. I hope it is instrumental in making the Congress act in the interest of poor people in this country.

Looking forward to seeing you on June 28th.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau

WR/rh

June 3, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth Carmony
Citizenship Education Program'
Tampa Urban League
2102 Main Street
Tampa, Flaeida

Dear Mrs. Carmony:

I have read with interest the reports of your Citizenship Education Program in Pinellas and Hillsbrough Counties. I am very glad to hear that things are going well and I wish you continued success throughout the remainder of your program.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director,
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 3, 1968

Mr. John B. Cunningham, Jr.
Director, Franklin County Voter
Education Project
Box 125
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Mr. Thad Olive, administrative assistant, and I will be in the Franklin County, Tennessee area sometime this week. I hope at that time there can be a resoloution of all problems encountered by your project.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director,
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 3, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina
Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

Congradulations on being refunded. I wish for you and members of the North Carolina Voter Education Project every success in the coming year.

Let's be friends this year, please send me your field reports during the first week of each month.

Please give my very best wishes to Eloise.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director,
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 4, 1968

Dr. Ernst Borinski, Chairman
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
Tougaloo College
Tougaloo, Mississippi 39174

Dear Dr. Borinski:

In reply to your letter of May 31, find enclosed an Anti-Defamation League audio-visuals catalogue and copies of appropriate pages from a National Educational Television film catalogue. I have also enclosed an order form for the NET films.

I hope that some of these films will serve your purpose. Let me suggest that you write to ADL and NET to get their current catalogues, also. These that I am sending are one or two years old.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 4, 1968

Mr. Carl Auvil, President
Virginia Council on Human Relations
6723 Nicholson Road
Falls Church, Virginia 22042

Dear Carl:

Enclosed is a carbon copy of a letter to Frank Adams concerning the VCHR board meeting on Saturday.

I want to convey to you personally, what I asked Frank to say to the Board, -- that I could and would happily attend the meeting, if it would help. Please be assured of my continued interest and support.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 4, 1968

Mrs. Mildred Black
20 Washington Street
Greensboro, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Black:

Sent by telegraph 6-4-68, $194.66 in payment of your expenses and consultant fees for your work with the Singers Federal Credit Union in Thomasville.

Thank you for doing this. We especially appreciate the very good report that you wrote on it. Mr. Thomas tells me that your help was invaluable, not only to the credit union, but also to him.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Mr. Hubert D. Thomas

June 4, 1968

Mrs. Edwin J. Henrie
Program Officer
Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Inc.
256 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Mrs. Henrie:

We will be very happy to see Mr. Rillon during his visit to Atlanta. Quite frankly, however, I question the value of two full days here and quite sincerely, visits of such length create hardships for the staff. If it is agreeable with you, perhaps Mr. Rillon could come by on the morning of the 13th and we could then work out a schedule that would hopefully be beneficial to him.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Miss Julia Williams

June 4, 1968

The Rev. James M. McDaniel
Associate Minister
Gordon Street Presbyterian Church
1450 Gordon Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Mr. McDaniel:

Reference is made to your letter of May 31, 1968. The addresses you requested are as follows:

The West Mt. Airy Neighbors
7139 Cresheim Road
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19119

Action -- Housing, Incorporated
2 Gateway Center
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

A few other Southern groups are:

Southwest Atlantans for Progress (SWAP)
Mrs. Xernona Clayton, Secretary

The Housing Committee
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Mrs. Leo Mervis, Coordinator
New Orleans Consortium
Palmetto and Pine Streets
New Orleans, Louisiana 70125

The Arkansas Council on Human Relations
131 1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

The Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

The North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, N. C. 27401

The Tennessee Council on Human Relations
1207 - 18th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

The Virginia Council On Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

I am enclosing herewith a list of SRC publications. If there are any further questions, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

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June 4, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Pursuant to our conversation yesterday, this is to communicate in writing the only information that I have at this point on the SRC's potential support to the Virginia Council.

First, as I had indicated previously, we are prepared to continue the quarterly payments on our grant-in-aid for this year, even if the decision is made to continue employment of the VCHR Executive Director only and to close the office.

Concerning support next year, the situation is as follows: The Field Foundation has made a decision to discontinue its support of the SRC aid to state councils and, instead, to support directly state councils and state council projects of its own choosing. That Foundation has been supporting the grant-in-aid program in the amount of $25,000 annually. The Taconic Foundation will not be able to continue its support of $25,000 annually, simply because it does not have the money -- a result of the death of Stephen and Audrey Currier last year. Consequently, we have no money "in sight" for support of state councils except the $100,000 included in our proposal to the Ford Foundation. There is some doubt about that also,

as it is our understanding that some state council directors have raised with Ford the possibility of support through the Association of State Council Directors, rather than the SRC -- which we would in no way oppose. The Ford Foundation's decision will not be made until September. Paul Anthony tells me that specific decisions about future support cannot be made, therefore, until September, but will be made promptly by the end of that month. (The work of the joint "evaluation committee" will enter into the decision, of course.)

Meanwhile, we certainly hope that the VCHR will keep some operation -- out of your home, at the least. Should it be your Board's decision to operate in that manner in 1969, as well as for the remainder of 1968, and without making a firm commitment (because of the contingencies outlined in the preceding paragraph), whatever aid we are able to give the Virginia Council in 1969 could easily include rent for 1969 paid in advance at the first of the year, to make possible the modest remodelling required.

As I indicated, this information is really about all that I could contribute to the meeting of your Board of Directors on Saturday. I remain readily available to attend at your request, and will be guided by your judgment, but cannot see how my potential contribution would justify the time and expense. If you will, explain this feeling of mine to the members of your Board and tell them -- what I hope would go without saying -- that my not attending certainly indicates no lack of interest or good will on my part.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Mr. Carl Auvil

June 5, 1968

Mr. Wex S. Malone
School of Law
University of Denver
200 W. Fourteenth Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80204

Dear Professor Malone:

Our check for your expenses to the Austin meeting is being sent under separate cover. There is no problem about the airline ticket voucher -- your thoughtful inclusion of a carbon of your letter served the purpose nicely.

It was a privilege to me to meet you, and we are grateful for your participation in the meeting. Many of your suggestions, such as that it is important to seek support from regional foundations, were much needed.

I hope to see more of you.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 5, 1968

Mr. James Finney
NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Finney:

The Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Virginia, June 22 - 23, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with lunch on the 23rd.

In addition to an evaluation of the current VEP activities we will be taking a serious look at VEP program objectives for the next three years. We would like very much to have you share in this session on the direction of VEP after 1968.

Please therefore mark these dates on your calendar and let us know if we may expect you at Capahosic.

A more detailed agenda, and other information as to how to get to Capahosic, will be forwarded to you at a later date.

We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

June 5, 1968

Mr. W.C. Patton
N.A.A.C.P. and Voter Registration Office
1630 North 4thhAvenue
Room 407
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

This note is to confirm that we are sending a student intern, Lorraine Alexander, to work with you in Birmingham. We are also sending an intern, Sylvia Murrel, to work with Mr. John Buskey of the Montgomery Branch N.A.A.C.P. Both should report to work on June 11th or 12th depending on bus schedules out of Atlanta. Both will also, I think, live at home.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Director, Summer Student
Program

TD:rlw

June 5, 1968

Mr. K. B. M. Crooks
National Urban League
Suite 242
136 Marietta Street, Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Ken:

I shall be on vacation next week and unable, therefore, to attend the NAIRO meeting

Thanks for the minutes of last month's meeting. It seems that the chapter is coming to grips with some worthwhile concerns.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Same ltr sent to:

Ginn's
1210 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washingtom

via air mail June 6, 1968

E. Morrison Paper Company
1009 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Miss Marian E. Wright, who is our staff representative working out of Washington, has asked us to write you requesting that an account be opened for her use at your company. You are authorized to do so in the name of the Southern Regional Council, and bill us here.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj

June 6, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
731 Lynn Circle, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

This comes in response to your inquiry of a fortnight ago as to whether or not we could accommodate your family at Capahosic during the meeting of the Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee, June 21 - 23, 1968. I regret very much that limited space prevents us from permitting any member of the Advisory Committee and Foundation representatives, who will be present, to have their families accompany them.

The facilities at the Conference Center will only accommodate approximately 38 people, and the invitation list already exceeds that number. You see what my problem is I am sure.

It is my sincere hope, however, that you can attend this very crucial meeting on the future of the VEP. Indeed in a time when it seems that we are confronted with the politics of assassination, the role of the VEP in the Southern political process

becomes more crucial than ever. You will be receiving details of the meeting within the next few days.

I am looking forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES G. GOMILLION, VICE-PRESIDENT
LUCIUS H. PITTS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

VEP-68-97

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

June 6, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the All-Citizens Registration Committee, for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in metroplitan Atlanta. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2500.00 for a period of twelve weeks to run from June 4 to August 30, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to twelve weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Office Rent	$225.00	
Postage	375.00	
Printing	350.00	
Telephone	350.00	
Handbills	175.00	
Supplies	325.00	
Transportation	750.00	
Periodic Lunches	175.00	
		$2500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report is also required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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June 7, 1968

A. B. Dick Printing Equipment
1370 Spring Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Please prepare metal plates for use on an A. B. Dick Model 320 Offset from the enclosed copy. The 8½ x 11 sheets are to be shot 100%. The larger sheets should be shot at 66.5%.

If you can deliver these plates upon completion, please do so. If not, call us upon completion and we will pick them up.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

SAME LETTER SENT TO PERSONS ON THE ATTACHED LIST

June 7, 1968

Mr. Mario Obledo
Post Office Box 12074
Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mario:

Enclosed is a list of those who attended our meeting in Austin on May 26-27. Others who were invited, but unable to attend, indicated a great interest in the proposed organization.

We here are pleased with the meeting and with the enthusiasm shown. Personally, I think the need for an intergroup relations council in the Southwest increases day by day, and I hope we can move rapidly.

Thank you for your participation. I look forward to seeing you again.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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PARTICIPANTS
MEETING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON AN INTERGROUP RELATIONS COUNCIL
OF THE SOUTHWEST, AUSTIN, MAY 26-27, 1968

Mario Obledo (GR5-4721)
Post Office Box 12074
Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Jorge Lara-Braud (GR7-9150)
Hispanic American Institute
100 E. 27th Street
Austin, Texas 78705

Henry Casso (PE4-6687)
210 St. Ann Street
San Antonio, Texas 78201

Miss Lorella M. Salazar (264-2900)
Post Office Box 636
Bernalillo, New Mexico 87004

Jack D. Middleton (JE6-2260)
1700 Asp Avenue
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

Robert V. Smith (GA7-2587)
1712 Albany
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Edward O. Reyes (444-4742)
1706 Broadway
Suite 1000
Oakland, California 94612

Russell O. Olin (443-7920)
University of Colorado
School of Law
1050 Quince Street
Boulder, Colorado 80302

T. D. Armstrong (Off. SO5-9383)
1213 - 31st Street (Res. SO2-6449)
Galveston, Texas 77550

Henry Mathis (TA7-4185)
910 Allen Street
Dallas, Texas 75204

William Canby (961-6463)
College of Law, A.S.U.
Tempe, Arizona 85281

Wex S. Malone (388-4503)
Louisiana State Univ.
Law School
Baton Rouge, La. 70803

John B. White (CE5-3395)
P. O. Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Stuart Trapp (GL6-8631)
P. O. Box 791
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464

Charles E. Sanders (774-2390)
Route 1
Stilwell, Oklahoma 74074

Jack Rushing
University of Texas
School of Law
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Joe J. Bernal (PE3-9538)
2154 W. Summit Avenue
San Antonio, Texas 78201

R. P. (Bob) Sanchez (Off. MU6-1561)
233 South 17th Street (Res. MU6-5601)
McAllen, Texas 78501

Joseph P. Witherspoon (471-5151)
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Edwin Stanfield (522-8764)
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

June 7, 1968

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville
South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Please excuse the delay. According to Random House, Styron's Confessions of Nat Turner was published in August, 1967. LSU Press says Tindall's book came out November 30, 1967.

It was good to hear from you. Holler when you want more books.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

June 7, 1968

Mr. Carl Rachlin
Scholarship, Defense, Education Fund
164 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10016

Dear Mr. Rachlin:

Enclosed are several Southern Regional Council publications related to the disparity of policy and reality in various aspects of desegregation in the South. Climbing Jacob's Ladder, by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn, contains an excellent discussion of the effect of middle class white suburbs on general desegregation. A recent Civil Rights Commission report on housing segregation in Atlanta also discusses this problem.

The Southern Regional Council has made no surveys, nor polls, to determine public response to anti-discrimination laws.

For a graphic description of disparities, talk with the Rev. F. N. Nixon or Mr. Lucius Black in York, Alabama, or Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter in Unadilla, Georgia.

If we can be of further help, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Enclosed:
Atlanta Housing
The Continuing Crisis
School Desegregation, 1965 and 1966
Public Assistance: To What End
Black Youth

June 7, 1968

Mr. C. Michael Curtis
The Atlantic Monthly
8 Arlington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mike:

I am sorry about the photographs.

You asked when I might have something. Some material I developed last month is a possibility. I traveled to virtually every part of South Carolina observing local units of a statewide Negro voter registration apparatus. They were in the last phases of their re-registration effort; under South Carolina law the books are wiped clean every ten years and everybody has to register anew. The Negroes saw this as an opportunity to increase their previous registration, and to a degree succeeded. The re-registration campaign also stirred greater political activity among Negroes than has occurred in the past, with a number of delegates elected to precinct, county and state Democratic Party posts, and far more candidates running for office than previously.

The primary will be held June 11, and its results would provide the basis for an analysis of the effect and possibilities generally in the South of Negro voting and political activity. The Negro voter registration people I talked with over there sort of make a profile of the varying degrees of hope and despair in the South, everything from ineffective older men going through the motions of a process that once held out great hope but now has become almost meaningless, to tough, shrewd leaders determined to use the political process successfully, to the southern version of black power advocate who still has an ambivalent attitude toward the established institutions.

I think the piece would have to just present all this, with some indication that elections of the last and next few years, like the South Carolina primary, are crucial in determining whether the South might avoid the kind of deterioration of Negro faith in the country that has occurred in the North.

Let me know what you think.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW/km

June 7, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

We are looking forward to your participation in the Advisory Committee meeting of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Virginia, June 21-23, 1968. The meeting convenes with dinner on Friday the 21st at 6:00 p. m., and will adjourn by 3:00 p. m. on Sunday the 23rd.

The agenda consists of the following: 1) a review and evaluation of VEP programs, 2) an analysis of the role of the Negro vote in the '67 and '68 elections; 3) review of the State VEP programs; 4) the future of the VEP after 1968 with particular emphasis on ways and means of assisting Negro elected officials, 5) plans to convene in September all of the Negro elected officials in the South.

Please complete the enclosed travel form and return it to us in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Capahosic is 65 miles from Richmond, Virginia. You will be met in Richmond if you desire, by a VEP staff member, and transportated to Capahosic. We will also provide transportation back to Richmond Sunday afternoon.

We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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P.S. Casual clothes, including swimming attire is appropriate.

June 7, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

We have made your travel arrangements to and from Capahosic, Virginia, June 21 - 23, and are enclosing tickets for same. You will be met at the Richmond airport by a VEP staff member. We will also provide transportation back to the airport on Sunday afternoon.

We look forward to seeing you in Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

June 7, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

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Attorney
NAACP Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York

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Attorney at Law
Commerce Title Building
Suite 525
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

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Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

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President
South Carolina Voter Education Project
Box 1778
Orangeburg, South Carolina

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Executive Director
The New World Foundation
100 86th Street
New York, New York

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Executive Director
Field Foundation
100 86th Street
New York, New York

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Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Attorney
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mr. Douglas:

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Program Associate
Mary Reynolds Babcodk Foundation
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

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Mr. Samuel D. Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

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Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

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Mr. Wiley Branton
Executive Director
The United Planning Organization
1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

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Assistant Program Officer
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

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Executive Director
Carnegie Corporation of New York
589 - 5th Avenue
New York, New York

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522-8764

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June 7, 1968

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Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

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4 W 58th St/
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Mr. Jesse Hill
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148 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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801 - 19th Street
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666 Fifth Avenue
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Chestnut Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

TRAVEL FORM

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
MEETING AT HOLLY KNOLL, CONFERENCE CENTER, MOTON MEMORIAL FOUNDATION
CAPAHOSIC, VIRGINIA
JUNE 21 - 23, 1968

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PLANE

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AUTOMOBILE

☐ I am coming by private car.

SIGNED: _____

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June 9, 1968

Mrs. Nancy Palmer Luykx
Greater Miami Council on Human Relations
Voter Registration Project
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Mrs. Palmer:

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Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau

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Field Director,
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CC: Bill Miles

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June 10, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,000.00, the quarterly payment on our Rural Advancement Project Grant to the Florida Council.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

Enclosures

June 10, 1968

Miss Marian E. Wright
1823 Jefferson Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Marian:

We will pay the salaries of the secretaries at the rate indicated in your letter of June 4th.

We know the name and address of your landlord, but need to know the amount of the rent and when it should be paid.

Incidentally, if the secretaries are employed for six months this, plus the $3,000 already sent to you, will come to a total of $9,500.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 10, 1968

Miss Betty Wells
Social Studies Department
Charles E. Merrill Books, Inc.
1300 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus 16, Ohio

Dear Miss Wells:

We are pleased to grant our permission for you to include in your American government textbook the statistics, "Southern Voter Registration in the 1960's" from the April 1968 V.E.P. News.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 10, 1968

Dr. Emory F. Via
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Emory:

In the next few weeks I hope to be dealing with the Ford Foundation staff on the "details" they want to go into. I am sure they will want specifics on what we plan for the Voter Project, particularly since Basil Whiting's main interest is in manpower development.

Could you put into writing, in a page or so, what you see as the major interests of the Labor Project during the last several years, including some specific examples of what you hope to do?

I hate to add this chore, but it will be very helpful to have this.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 10, 1968

Subscription Department
Katallagete
Committee of Southern Churchmen
P. O. Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Sirs:

We have been notified that our subscription to your publication has expired. We sent a check for $4.00 (No. 3896 dated December 28, 1967), for two subscriptions, after receiving an invoice on December 12. If this amount was not for one year, please inform us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

June 10, 1968

Mr. Andre Schiffrin
Pantheon Books
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Andre:

Thank you for your good letter. The criticisms are good. I am going to be in the city at least one day next week (the week of June 16). I'll have to call you in advance to say which day -- but perhaps we could discuss the specific points then.

I hope I am not being overly optimistic about finishing by September. Certainly the back of the thing will be broken by then. I had hoped to have the next chapter finished by now, but the Kennedy assassination demoralized all activity.

Thanks also on the Rockefeller thing. I should have the verdict on that next week.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

P. S. I send along the attached for whatever it may eventually be worth.

cc: Janet Smith

June 10, 1968

Mrs. Jennie S. Flowers
Coordinator of Instructional Resources
University of Alabama
School of Social Work
P. O. Box 1935
University, Alabama 35486

Dear Miss Flowers:

Our letter concerning purchase of materials was merely a way to generate some income in instances where individuals or institutions were in position and wished to share our costs. However, we will continue to maintain a rather large, free distribution and will be more than happy to see that the School of Social Work at the University continues to get our periodicals and reports without charge.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 10, 1968

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League
of B'nai B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Oscar:

Thank you for your good letter. I will indeed keep you informed about progress of the book.

I would be interested in seeing what you do come up with on southern economic trends.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

June 11, 1968

Dr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
102 Reynolda Village
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

Dear Dr. Archie:

This is to acknowledge with our most grateful appreciation the continued support of the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation for the Voter Education Project in the amount of $30,000.

While both Vernon Jordan and Jim Wood have talked with you, please know how much I regret the mistake down here which prevented our getting your message.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 11, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbot Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

In getting ready to send out the requested copies of the Memphis report, I have learned that we are completely out of the original report. It will be several weeks before additional copies are available. When they are available, we will send them to the persons on your list indicating it is done at your request.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 11, 1968

Mr. John de J. Pemberton, Jr.
Executive Director
American Civil Liberties Union
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Jack:

Relative to your inquiry concerning racial and other designations for the 1970 Census we, here, believe the designations and the data collected by race are absolutely essential.

Incidentally, several of us here have worked to some degree with Dr. Eckler and others of the Census Bureau, and we are convinced of their integrity and competence.

Our own work, particularly with voter registration and welfare programs, has been severely hampered by the difficulties in obtaining statistics by race. There is no doubt

in my mind that the exclusion of this information, sometimes gleefully done by the persons responsible, has become a deliberate tool of discrimination.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
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bc: Dr. Ross Eckler
U. S. Dept. of ~~Labor~~ Commerce
Bureau of the Census

June 11, 1968

Miss Cassandra Stockburger
Director
National Committee on the Education of
Migrant Children
145 East 32nd Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Cassandra:

Enclosed is our check for $100 as a sponsoring member of the National Committee on the Education of Migrant Children.

Every good wish in your work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $100)

June 11, 1968

Dr. G. Ray Marshall
Department of Economics
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Ray:

Chris Edley and I have had a talk about T. T. Williams. I am anxious to talk some things over with you as soon as possible. If you are going to be in Atlanta in the near future, I hope we would do so then. If not, would you, at your convenience, give me a collect telephone call?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 11, 1968

Dr. E. C. Harrison
Dean of the University
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dean Harrison:

I am very pleased to learn, through Dr. Jewel Prestage, that Southern University plans to conduct a Workshop for Negro Elected Officials in Louisiana on July 13, 1968. As I indicated in my conversation with you in March, the Voter Education Project is interested in establishing a cooperative relationship with academic institutions. Thus, we are pleased to join in this effort, through our affiliate the Louisiana VEP, in co-sponsoring the July 13 seminar.

On June 4, the officers of the Louisiana Voter Education Project, including Mrs. Prestage, met with me in New Orleans. At that time, the Workshop proposal was discussed. The suggested program looks good. The Voter Education Project will provide transportation for the officials in attendance and cooperate in any manner possible.

Details of the program can be worked out between the University and the Louisiana Voter Education Project. The services of our Atlanta office are also available.

This seminar will be rather unique in that it will mark the first cooperative effort of this type between the Voter Education Project and an academic institution outside the city of Atlanta. We hope to sponsor similar projects in the other southern states.

By now you should have received the manuscript of my speech at the Conference on the Negro and the Central City. Please forgive the delay.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Dr. Jewel Prestage
Mr. Wm. Samuel

Reading File

VEP 68-101

June 11, 1968

Mr. Thomas Bailey
President
Kenner Branch, NAACP
8707 Milan Street
Metairie, Louisiana 70003

Dear Mr. Bailey:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Kenner Branch, NAACP - VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Jefferson County, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 14 to August 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
Printing and Postage		90.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Telephone		40.00
		$1.500.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) methods used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation, or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A narrative monthly report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further requirements for reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:sas
Enclosure

cc: William Samuel

Reading File

VEP 68-185

June 11, 1968

Mr. Clarence Hall
Chairman
Ringgold Branch, NAACP - VEP
Route 1, Box 13
Ringgold, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hall:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Ringgold Branch, NAACP - VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bieville County, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1.800.00 for a period of six weeks to run from June 17 to July 29, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 180.00
Eight (8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		675.00
Telephone		40.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Office Suppleis		75.00
Office Rent		35.00
		$1,800.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) methods used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A narrative monthly report also is required.

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June 11, 1968

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:sas
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton
William Samuel

Reading file
VEP 68-102

June 11, 1968

The Rev. J. H. Scott, President
East Carroll NAACP Branch
Route 1, Box 13
Lake Providence, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Scott:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the East Carroll NAACP Branch for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in East Carroll, West Carroll, Morehouse, and Tensas Parishes. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 17 to August 12, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00	
Five (5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	600.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Printing and Postage	30.00	
		$1,200.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
Mr. William Samuel

Reading File
VEP 68-100

June 11, 1968

Mr. Acie J. Bolton
Chairman
Second Ward Voters League
1310 Scott Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Bolton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Second Ward Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 14 to August 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds.. The grant is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Five Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
Printing and Postage		90.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Telephone		40.00

Mr. Acie J. Belton
June 11, 1968

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To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) areas visited, b) persons consulted, c) methods and materials used in training sessions and workshops, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from your.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rlw

cc: Mr. William Samuel

Reading File

VEP 68-103

June 11, 1968

Mr. Emmitt Douglas, President
New Roads Branch NAACP
903 Richey Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Douglas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the New Roads Branch NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Pointe Coupee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000 for an eight-week period to run from June 17 to August 12, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	720.00
Office Rent	90.00
Office Supplies	50.00
Printing and Postage	50.00
Telephone	30.00

Secretary @ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Transportation	500.00
	$ 2,000.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
Mr. William Samuel

June 12, 1968

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Editor and Publisher
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

Dr. Kenneth Clark can be reached at the Metropolitan Applied Research Center, 60 East 86th Street, New York, New York 10028. He is the President.

Warmest regards to you and Liliane.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 12, 1968

Miss Terry Knopf
Center for the Study of Violence
Brandeis University
Waltham, Massachusetts 02154

Dear Terry,

Thanks so much for sending us the first newsletter of your Riot Data Review. I thought it was an impressive piece of work. Just holler if we can help you in any way.

Thanks again for thinking of us and putting us on your mailing list.

Best regards,

Susan Morgan

June 12, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Regional Director
NAACP Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.
216 West Tenth Street
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Dear Bob:

Pat asked me to fill your request for the Minimum Wage kits, but we don't have any. I'm enclosing a pamphlet you might be interested in having, and you can let me know if you'd like a supply.

I hope we will be seeing you soon.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Secretary to Mr. Watters

jcs

Encl. - More Money for You?

June 12, 1968

Mr. William Pollock
General President
Textile Workers Union of America
99 University Place
New York, New York 10003

Dear Mr. Pollock:

A thousand apologies for my delay in answering your letter. My life has been very full--illness in the home and a heavy schedule of conferences.

I am very grateful to you for your letter for we really need you who represent the Textile Workers.

On October 23-24, The Fellowship of the Concerned will have its annual meeting here in Atlanta at the Atlantan Hotel. Since 1968 is "Human Rights Year the World Around" our general subject will be "Human Rights." We certainly must hear from the textile workers. If you cannot be with us yourself, please send someone to speak to us.

I congratulate the Textile Union on finally getting a favorable answer from the Supreme Court. I have known through the years of this problem of our Southern textile workers.

I am delighted with AFL-CIO News and have subscribed for it.

Best wishes for you and the work you are doing.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

June 12, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

Enclosed is a letter requesting a renewal of general support for the Council. I assume from your conversation last week that a letter is sufficient. Needless to say, if you would prefer a more formal request, I shall get to work on it promptly.

It was good to visit with you last week, and I very much appreciated your hospitality .

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

June 12, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

This is to request the consideration of the Field Foundation for a renewal of its support to the general operations of the Southern Regional Council in the amount of $25,000 per year for three years, 1969-1971.

As you are well aware, general operations of the Council is the heart of all our programs covering, especially, our basic work in research and information and our field operation as well as administrative costs for all the Council's work. As you know, too, funds for general operations are the hardest to come by.

For a number of years the Field Foundation has been one of the few foundations that understood

the value of this support and has been willing to provide it. This support and the multiple year commitments have been invaluable to us.

During the course of the year we have provided you with financial and program reports. If, however, you wish additional information before this request can be considered, we shall be pleased to provide it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 12, 1968

Mr. Leon E. Modeste, ACSW Director
General Convention Special Program
Executive Council of the Episcopal Church
815 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Modeste:

This will acknowledge, with sincere appreciation, the contribution of $1,000 from the General Convention Special Program of the Episcopal Church.

We have long felt a close tie with the Episcopal Church and the Executive Council, and this vote of confidence, as well as the funds, is especially important to us.

I can assure you the funds were needed, and we shall make every effort to use them wisely and within keeping with the spirit in which they were given.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

June 12, 1968

Mr. Herman Lodge
Executive Secretary
Burke County Improvement Association, Inc.
P. O. Box 347
Waynesboro, Georgia 30830

Dear Mr. Lodge:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have some-one in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 12, 1968

Mr. Thomas C. Chatmon
Director
Dougherty County Voter Registration Drive
301 Highland Avenue
Albany, Georgia 31705

Dear Mr. Chatmon:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 12, 1968

Mrs. Glardes Wright
123 Pennington Street
Ripley, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Wright:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report. Please submit a separate report for each county covered by your project.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 12, 1968

Mr. Calvin G. Turner
P. O. Box 118
Crawfordville, Georgia 30631

Dear Mr. Turner:

Enclosed is an edited copy of your interview with me. Let me apologize for taking so long to get this back to you and for asking you to make your corrections as quickly as you can.

You will notice some corrections I have made. I hope your corrections can be made in the same manner. When you have returned this interview to me, your corrections will be added. Then a corrected copy will be made to be sure there are no spelling mistakes or other errors.

I hope you can return this interview to me within ten days. I have also enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope for that purpose. If you have not returned this copy within ten days, I will assume that I can proceed with it as it is.

Let me thank you again for participating in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB:nm

Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. Malcolm Cunningham
201 Avenue H
Riviera Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

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Julian Bond
Research Associate

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June 12, 1968

Mr. Earl M. Johnson
625 W. Union Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Julian Bond
Research Associate

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June 12, 1968

Mrs. Athalie Range
1631 N. W. 57th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mrs. Range:

Enclosed is an edited copy of your interview with me. Let me apologize for taking so long to get this back to you, and for asking you to make the corrections as quickly as you can.

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Research Associate

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Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. Clarence L. Townes, Jr.
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Townes:

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Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB:nm
Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
2554 Queensroad Avenue
Jackson, Mississippi 39213

Dear Mr. Evers:

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Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. Jesse E. Lawrence
906 Wilkerson Avenue
Kingstree, South Carolina 29556

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I hope you can return this interview to me within ten days. I have also enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope for that purpose. If you have not returned this copy within ten days, I will assume that I can proceed with it as it is.

Let me thank you again for participating in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JN:nm
Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. Dan Nixon
Route 1,
Box 424
Brownsville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Nixon:

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Same ltr to:

Horace T. Ward
R. A. Dent
Q. V. Williamson
Felton J. Capel
Thomas Edward Wrenn

June 12, 1968

Mr. Lucius Amerson
Sheriff, Macon County
P. O. Box 1265
Tuskegee, Alabama 36083

Dear Mr. Amerson:

Enclosed is an edited copy of your interview with me. Let me apologize for taking so long to get this back to you and for asking you to make your corrections as quickly as you can.

You will notice some corrections I have made. I hope your corrections can be made in the same manner. When you have returned this interview to me, your corrections will be added. Then a corrected copy will be made to be sure there are no spelling mistakes or other errors.

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Let me thank you again for participating in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB:js
Enclosures

June 12, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquémine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Samuel:

Enclosed are the copies of the proposals that you wanted. Mr. Rougeau asked me to send them to you, and to express his regrets for not getting them to you before this time.

If there is other material that you need, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Ruth Harris
for Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Educatimn Project

Encs.

June 12, 1968

Mr. James Felder
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

It was a real pleasure for me to attend the institute for candidates in Sumpter. I think it was a very good meeting, and once again I must commend you for the very good turn out you had. To me this was the culmination of a job very well done.

Thanks for the hospitality. I enjoyed myself immensely.

Will see you in Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

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June 12, 1968

The Rev. J. J. Rax, President
Alexandria Branch NAACP
P. O. Box 5164
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rax:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Alexandria Branch NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Rapides Parish. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 14 to August 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary @ $35.00 per week	280.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation	500.00
Office Rent	160.00

Supplies	$ 50.00	
Postage and Printing	90.00	
		$2,200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered; b) methods used in getting persons to the registration office; c) increase of number of new voters in the one-week period; d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens; e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any; f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A narrative monthly report is also required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further requirements for reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js
Enclosure

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
Mr. William Samuel

June 12, 1968

Mr. George Daniel Lewis
Mansfield Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 46
Mansfield, Louisiana 71052

Dear Mr. Lewis:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending May 29. We are enclosing a copy of our Reporting Requirements and ask that you pass them on to Mr. R. C. Johnson, the Director.

We are returning your report and ask that you submit the necessary supporting documents per each expenditure, in keeping with them number seven.

May we have this at your earliest convenience, so as not to impede progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

TO:rlw
Enclosure

cc: William Samuel

June 12, 1968

Mrs. Maxine A. Smith
Executive Secretary
Memphis Branch, NAACP
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the weekly report of the Citizens Non-Partisan Registration Committee for the week ending June. In order to completely re-imburse your account for the amount expenditured, we will need supporting documents for the following:

Johnson Printing	$ 182.00
Post Office	60.00
Petty Cash	50.00
Just Rite Printers	228.80
Johnson's Printery	374.44

May we have this at your earliest convemience, so as not to impede the progress of your program. Enclosed is a copy of our Reporting Requirements. Please pass them on to Mr. Kilpatrick.

Good luck as you continue in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

TO:rlw
Enclosure

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

June 13, 1968

Doubleday and Company, Inc.
277 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Academic Revolution, by Christopher Jencks and David Riesman.

Our check for $10.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $10.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

June 13, 1968

Publications Office
Institute of Labor and Industrial
Relations
The University of Michigan - Wayne
State University
P. O. Box 1567
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Jobs and Income for Negroes, by Charles C. Killingsworth, your policy paper No. 6.

Our check for $2.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $2.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Cross reference:
File: Newspaper and Subscription Cancellations.

June 13, 1968

Race Relations Law Reporter
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the summer issue, 1966, and the winter issue, 1967, of your publication.

Our check for $3.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $3.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Invoice Rec'd:_____
Book Rec'd:_____
Amount:_____
Check No._____
Mailed:_____

June 13, 1968

The Social Studies
Curriculum Program of the
Education Development Center
15 Mifflin Place
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Children of Cardozo Tell It Like It Is, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept. (DR)

June 13, 1968

The People Left Behind
The Charlotte Observer
P. O. Box 208
Charlotte, North Carolina 28201

Dear Sirs:

Please send us 20 copies of, "The People Left Behind," the study of rural poverty in North Carolina which was a series of articles written by Observer reporters.

Our check for $1.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.00 check.

June 13, 1968

Mr. Donald A. Jelinek
Southern Rural Research Project
802 First Avenue
Selma, Alabama 36701

Dear Don:

In your Annual Report, May, 1968, you noted that the Dallas County Study will include a model illustrating the contrast between services offered the black and white communities. Have you, or are you planning to describe this information in a descriptive, written form?

We are in the process of setting up a type of "how to do it: community profile" which may be used by rural and/or urban community groups in the South. From the description of the Dallas County Survey, it appears that portions of the questionnaire and the study-plan for the model would be extremely useful to local groups wanting to acquire in-depth knowledge of their communities. Such information would be an asset not only in their more clearly defining problems, but also in their working towards solutions.

We hope to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Tom Gardner, Chairman
Southern Student Organizing Committee
1111 W. Chapel Hill Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Tom:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached information of May 24.

I was impressed with the proposal, however, I don't know what we can do for our resources are limited and we are heavily committed at this time. If there appears to be someway that we can help, we will be in touch.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Robert Mantz
M.A.C.E.
352 N. Harvey Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Bob:

We are in the process of setting up a type of "how to do it: community profile" which may be used by rural and/or urban community groups in the South.

From what I know of your profile, I think portions of it would be extremely useful to local groups wanting to acquire in-depth knowledge of their communities. Such information would be an asset not only in their more clearly defining problems, but also in their working towards solutions.

Would it be at all possible for your to send me a complete copy of your Lowndes County Profile (even if it is in rough draft form)?

We hope to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

June 13, 1968

Sister Mary Lourdes, SSND
Rogati--Kain High School
4389 Lindell Boulevard
Saint Louis, Missouri 63108

Dear Sister Mary Lourdes:

I am enclosing copies of Southern Regional Council publications which might be helpful to you in planning curriculum. I am also including a short bibliography.

Good luck with your planning.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Enclosed:
Transition without Tragedy
In Their Own Words

Rose, Arnold M. and Caroline B., Teachers Manual for Minority Problems, Harper and Row, Publishers, New York, 1966.

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Growing Up Negro, American Child, V. 45, No. 1, January 1966, National Committee on Employment of Youth 419 Park Avenue S., New York 16, New York.

Youth Education and Interracial Justice, National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice, 21 West Superior Street, Chicago, Ill. 60610

The Preparation of Teachers for Schools in Culturally Deprived Neighborhoods (The Birdge Project), Queens College, Flushing, New York, 1965.

Treworgy, Mildred L., and Paul B. Foreman, Negroes in the United States, A bibliography of materials for schools Office of the Dir. of Libraries, the Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, 16802.

Insight, A bibliography of intergroup relations for Pennsylvania schools, Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126.

Research in Education, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, (Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office).

The Negro American, A reading list, Department of Racial and Cultural Relations, 17 East Cary St., Richmond, Virginia 23219.

Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B;rith, 1966-67 Catalog of Audio Visual Materials, 315 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10016.

Ferman, Louis A. Editor, Poverty and Human Resources Abstracts, Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, The University of Michigan, Wayne State University, P. O. Box 1567, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106.

Blaustein Library Current Listings, Institute of Human Relations, The American Jewish Committee, 165 East 56th Street, New York, N. Y. 10022.

Angel, Frank, and Paul Petty, Intergroup Relations and the School Curriculum, Department of Educational Administration, College of Education, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

June 13, 1968

Mr. David E. Barry
Loyola College
4501 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, Maryland 21210

Dear Mr. Barry:

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of a table showing county-by-county voter registration for the state of Virginia; a map showing the percentage of Negro population in each southern county; an assessment of the 1964 election; and a table showing the number and per cent Negro population in Virginia cities.

In order to determine in which areas gubernatorial candidates ran strongly, you should get copies of Virginia election returns for the years 1960-67 from Virginia Secretary of State Martha B. Conway in Richmond. The best method of using these figures is the quartile map. Such maps will give you indications of trends.

I hope the information will be of use to you.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Mailed separately:
Virginia Voter Registration
Map
What Happened in The South, 1964
Xerox of Census of Negro Population

June 13, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed is our check to cover pay period ending June 15, 1968, for services rendered to Mrs. G. Collins.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar, Director
Summer Student Project
Voter Education Project

TD:nm
Enclosure

June 13, 1968

Dr. Dante Germanotta
Route 1, Box 944-C
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Germanotta:

Enclosed is your check covering pay period ending June 15, 1968.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Director
Summer Student Project
Voter Education Project

TD:nm
Enclosure

June 13, 1968

Mr. Wayne Nichols
South Carolina VEP
1126 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Enclosed is your check covering pay period ending June 15, 1968.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar, Director
Summer Student Project
Voter Education Project

TD:nm
Enclosure

June 13, 1968

Mr. Jewell Prestage
Chairman
Political Science Department
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewell:

Under separate cover I am sending the material you asked for about a month ago. Please forgive me for the delay. I'm sure you will understand.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

I would like to commend you for the work you have been doing and to wish for your continued success in your job. I admire your dedication to the ideals of the Voter Education Project.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Collins, Dougals & Elie
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

Thank you very much for going to the trouble of arranging a meeting with the persons who submitted proposals to us for voter registration projects in Orleans Parish.

Take care of yourself.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Robert Palmer
304 South Main Street
Sumpter, South Carolina 21950

Dear Bob:

Allow me to extend my heartfelt thanks for the hospitality that you afforded me in Sumpter. Everything was just beautiful. It was my impression that Jimmy did a fine job in setting up the meeting. I'm glad we had it in Sumpter, and I think it was a good meeting.

Take care of yourself; retirees need a lot of rest.

Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mrs. Katheleen Bynum
Houston County Development Committee
102 Washington Avenue
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Bynum:

It was a pleasure to have met and discussed with you the progress of your efforts in Houston County. I hope you will forgive me for catching you off-guard, but as I indicated this is usually the way we operate. At any rate I was impressed and I do believe that you are doing the work.

Please express to Mr. Bynum my sincere appreciation for the very warm hospitality he accorded my guest, Mr. Imaz, and I. Mr. Imaz was most appreciative and very impressed by your efforts in Houston County.

Best wishes for continued success in your voter registration campaign.

Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
Director
Houston County Voters Committee
1028 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Gerogia

Dear Mr. Smith:

I enjoyed very much meeting with you and discussing the progress of your drive in the Houston County area. From all indications you have done your job well and I commend you on that effort.

Thank you very much for introducing me to Mrs. Bynum, and for taking time out to escort Mr. Imez and I. We enjoyed everything immensely.

Best wishes for continued success in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Robert Howard
391 Oak Street
Social Circle, Georgia

Dear Mr. Howard:

It was indeed a pleasure to meet with you, Mr. Hill, Miss Smith and Mr. Knox. I was impressed by the extent of your involvement and dedication to the job being done in the Walton County area. I might add that Mr. Hosea Imaz of Argentina was equally impressed.

When you send your letter to the Attorney General requesting federal voting examinators I hope you will remember to send us a copy. We would like very much to know what you may be doing in trying to procure these registrars.

Good luck in your work.

Sincerely,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR/rh

June 13, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 13, 1968

Mr. Acie J. Belton
Chairman
Second Ward Voters League
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

June 13, 1968

Mr. Thomas Bailey
President
Kenner Branch, NAACP
8707 Milan Street
Metairie, Louisiana 70002

Dear Mr. Bailey:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 13, 1968

Mr. C. O. Brown
President
Milledgeville Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 142
Milledgeville, Georgia 31061

Dear Mr. Brown:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc,, is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MM:sas

June 13, 1968

Mr. Louis Berry, Attorney
1406 Ninth Street
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Berry:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:sas

June 14, 1968

Mr. Garrett Heyns
Executive Director
Joint Commission on Correctional Manpower
1522 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Heyns:

Permission is requested for Miss Revelle Pergament to have some exploratory conferences with your staff June 20-21, 1968, for the purpose of gathering information that will be used by us in extending the foundation of the Southern Regional Council's Project on Criminal Justice in the South for concerted efforts relative to segregation and discrimination in the agencies that administer criminal justice.

She will be interested in studying your approach to the problems of manpower in corrections and any other information that will help us to launch a study of the extent that Black persons are involved in the administration of criminal justice, from policing to corrections.

I talked to John Galvin on the phone about this and got the impression that what you have to offer would benefit us a good deal.

Thank you for every consideration.

Yours truly,

John

John O. Boone
Director
Project on Administration
of Justice

JOB/km

cc: John Galvin
Bill Meredith

VEP-68-106

June 14, 1968

Mr. James W. Caldwell
Chairman
Maury Voter Education Project
512 Hill Street
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Maury County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct voter registration in Maury County, Columbia, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 19 to August 14, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's expense	@ $ 40.00 per week	$ 320.00
b)	Secretary's expense	@ $ 25.00 per week	200.00
c)	Transportation	$	350.00
d)	Task Force Workers (5) (@$15.00 per week)		600.00
e)	Office Rent		80.00
f)	Office Supplies		50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is submitted on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your organization should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report for this reporting period also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 14, 1968

The Reverend J. H. Scott, President
East Carroll Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 13
Lake Providence, Louisiana

Dear Reverend Scott:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Mr. Clarence Hall
Chairman
Ringgold,Branch, NAACP - VEP
Route 1, Box 13
Ringgold, Louisiana

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Mr. Emmitt Douglas
President
903 Richey Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

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June 14, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the VEP newsletter to each of the four VEP statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

June 14, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations.

Many thanks.

June 14, 1968

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TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board
2. FRD
4. Intergroup
5. Labor
7. Libraries

Many thanks

June 14, 1968

Mr. C. B. Robinson
Chattanooga Branch, NAACP
1009 East Fifth Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee

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June 14, 1968

Mr. Hamilton Lokey
Lokey and Bowden Law Office
First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Lokey:

I am doing what my sister, Miriam Rogers, did -- invite you months ahead of the date but I need you twice.

The first date is October 23 for the annual meeting of the Fellowship of the Concerned (Southern church women, leaders of the three Faiths from our twelve southern states). We want you to give the same speech you delivered to Haygood Memorial Methodist Church last Monday evening.

The second date is in January, 1969. This will be an evening at Haygood Memorial Methodist Church.

After you spoke Monday evening the group came to me and asked that you come back when our church-wide mission study will be held each Sunday evening in January. We will be studying the Changing Mission of the Church. We surely want you. I am the Mission Study leader. There will be over 100 men and women in attendance. As it now stands, you will have your choice of the Sunday evening most convenient for you.

I direct the Woman's Work of the Southern Regional Council and the Fellowship of the Concerned is under my direction. It was organized before World War II.

Now, here is my plea, please accept these two calls.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

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June 14, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Virginia Field Trip

Following is a report on a field trip I made to the state of Virginia from May 15 to May 17, 1968. The purpose of this trip was to investigate and evaluate those projects on voter registration that we funded this year. I was able to visit all projects with the exception of one in Galax, Virginia. Project visited were in Richmond, Chatham, Scottsburg, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Kenbridge, Danville, Chase City and Martinsville.

FIELD REPORT # 20

RICHMOND

On Wednesday, May 15, I spent about an hour talking with Mr. E.L. Slade, President of Richmond Branch NAACP about the registration drive that his branch was engaged in. Mr. Slade indicated to me that about 5,000 persons had been registered in the first phase of the project. The first phase was prior to the Councilmanic Elections which were scheduled for June 11th. In that election there were 6 black candidates running for office. Mr. Slade felt that the 5,000 people added to the registration

rolls would probably be very crucial to the election or defeat of some, if not all, of these black candidates. The candidates I am referring to were Henry Marsh, Milton Randolph, Walter Kenney, Harry Bradley, Winfred Mundel and B.A. Cephus. These men were running in a field of 16, eight who were identified with the power structure oriented Richmond Forward organization, and eight others who were independent. It was my understanding that the six candidates were for the most part independent, but there were some who are identified with Richmond Forward.

In terms of the personnel engaged in this drive, Slade informed me that there were apporximately 100 people who were actively involved. Of this number between 20 and 30 were youth, the rest were adult volunteers who worked in various facets of the operation. From all indications a drive like this one would have to have massive manpower, if it is to be successful.

The primary reason for the need for massive manpower is because of the assignment and location of area registration stations. There were 6 of these in Richmond. I was informed that about 4 of these were convenient for black people to register. These were open Tuesday through Friday, from 2:30 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday from 8:00 to 5:00, so manpower becomes very crucial when working with evening hours and the possibility of a large mobilization of registrants.

ONLY MINOR PROBLEMS WITH REGISTRAR

During my previous trip to the Richmond area, members of the black community were having tremendous problems in getting the registrar to cooperate with them. This time I was informed that there were very few problems encountered with this registrar. It seems that he had a change of heart after a number of petitions were signed protesting his "discriminatory practices". I suppose Richmond did not want to become one of those cities with Federal Voting Examiners. Nonetheless, and true to form, the registrar did not consult with the community before announcing the area registration locations. Slade was especially bothered by this. He indicated that if the registrar had consulted with them, the entire registration effort could have been geared toward certain locations and stations could have been located where they would have been most beneficial for the productivity of the drive.

OVERALL IMPRESSION OF RICHMOND DRIVE

On the whole there are no important criticisms that I could make of the Richmond voter registration campaign. No doubt the 5,000 people registered could have been improved. Given the circumstances surrounding the assignment and location of voter registration stations in Richmond, I am almost certain that something could have been done to improve the number registered. But that is besides the point; the question is if I think that it was

a good registration drive, and I do.

I think that we have seen whenever local registration offices have been amenable to making available convenient offices and locations for black people to register, the numbers that have registered have been beyond almost all of our expections. It has been more so when area stations have been open and complemented by a very well organized effort to get people registered to vote. This very thing (the assignment of deputy registrars to convenient locations, in the community) would be so meaningful to people all over the South if it could be done on a massive scale.

I am convinced that registration will ride the tide in this post-1965 Voting Rights Act period. Unless something dramatic and far reaching can be done to try to increase registration in those areas that are not defacto or dejure, covered by the Voting Rights Act.

CHARLOTTESVILLE

I spoke with Mr. George Whitlock, chairman of the Political Action Committee of the Charlottesville Branch of the NAACP about 45 minutes and discussed with him the progress of the registration drive in Charlottesville. Mr. Whitlock indicated to me that approximately 250 persons had been registered at the time and also indicated that the drive had not gone as well as he had hoped, although they had received help from approximately 25 students from the University of Virginia. The students were both pro-McCarthy and pro-Kennedy.

The problem I think lies with the personnel. There are only three adults, and 30 members of the NAACP Youth Council involved in this drive. Mr. Whitlock did not really seem to know how to conduct a voter registration drive. In his words, what they were trying to do was to "pick key people on each street, and build from them"...needless to say that will not do it. I think they are in need of someone who is capable of conducting an effective campaign, and who could be of some assistance in organizing. That, in a nutshell, is the real problem as I see it.

Another problem, and one that is becoming a perennial one in many places throughout the South, is the one with the registrar. From all indications he is not cooperative at all. As a matter of fact, he refuses to keep his office open on Saturday, and refuses to make any type arrangements for the benefit of the people who are engaged in the drive

in Charlottesville. Moreover, the registration office is in the savings and loan association office, and the result is not many people are able to register when problems like these are coupled with an inefficient operation.

Mr. Whitlock informed me that many people in the area are still unaware that the poll-tax has been outlawed. This complicates things because people refuse to register for fear that registration will bring on taxation. I suggested to Mr. Whitlock that in his drive he include information relating to the poll-tax ban, in order to dispell any fears the people might have about registering.

Charlottesville, at the time of my visit, was preparing for the Councilmanic election. There was one black candidate running for office. His name is Rev. Floyd Johnson, and he was said to have a slim chance of winning. From all indications any black who runs in Charlottesville will not win unless he gets substantial, very substantial white support. Mr. Whitlock informed me that before this drive began there were about 10,000 white voters compared with 2,295 black voters. Any black candidate would have to appeal more to whites than to blacks if he expected to win.

Overall I was not very impressed with this project, I think that a lot of improvement can be made, certainly before we refund the project. I think we should have some indications that they are going to conduct a better organized campaign before they are refunded. If we don't get improvements I am very sure that another effort would be just like this one, very low in production.

LYNCHBURG

While in Lynchburg I met with Mrs. Mary H. Paine, and Mr. M.W. Thornhill. Both persons impressed me as being very hard workers, and I think we had a very interesting and fruitful discussion of the progress of their voter registration project. We discussed at length the number of people who had been registered, personnel, the role of students, community participation problems, complaints, and candidates for office in Lynchburg.

NUMBER REGISTERED TO DATE

The voter registration project which had terminated by the time I visited Lynchburg, had registered 207 persons directly. Mr. Thornhill and Mrs. Paine did not have estimates of the potential black vote in Lynchburg, or the present registration in that city. They told me the total registration was something like 19,699. Mr. Thornhill thought that prehaps a third of that number would be black voters. I was told that the number was not very large due to there being no area registration centers in Lynchburg. Everybody had to be transported to the center downtown. There the process is gone through with minimal difficulty.

PERSONNEL USED IN DRIVE

Mrs. Paine, the director of the drive, told me that aside from the persons that the grant paid for, the rest of the people were volunteers; most of them were young. Approximately 50 participated. Of this number about 25 were white

students. These students were representative of such colleges as Lynchburg College, Randolph-Macon College, Richmond Polytechnic Institute and E.C. Glass High School. The black students who volunteered for work in the project were from schools like Virginia Seminary, Dunbar High School and Dunbar Junior High School. Mr. Thornhill and Mrs. Paine both felt that the students played a very important part in helping to register the number of persons that they did. It was their feeling that students were almost indispensable in the project. And it was their feeling that they become more indispensable when community participation leaves much to be desired.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION - ONLY CHURCHES AND MINISTERS

It appears that in Lynchburg it was very difficult to get any of the businessmen, "community leaders" and other individuals having some weight in the community to take part directly or indirectly in the drive. I was told that some of the churches and their ministers did play an instrumental role in publicizing the drive and in trying to get their respective congregations to register to vote. Still, Mrs. Paine and Mr. Thornhill felt their efforts had fallen short because of inadequate support from other community leaders.

REGISTRAR NICE BUT DANGEROUS

Mr. Thornhill related to me during the course of our conversation how helpful and "nice" the chief registrar in Lynchburg was. He said that she was very helpful in giving them information about registering, in allowing them to copy the registration rolls, in giving them progress reports on how registration was going throughout the campaign, and in doing other things that many registrars in the South would be reluctant, if not entirely opposed, to doing. But, Mr. Thornhill continued, she was watching the projects and at the same time calling different whites from various community groups urging them to "please come and register to vote." Then Mr. Thornhill followed that with a generalization: "From that day on I decided no matter how nice a white was going to be to me, I was never going to trust him entirely".

CRITICISMS OF VEP--SRC

Mrs. Paine and Mr. Thornhill offered several suggestions: 1) increase the salary of the project director because it is insufficient, 2) increase the amount granted for supplies, 3) they were against the hold back on reimbursement for project accounts..(on this point I asked them if they had any suggestions when someone does not follow our guidelines, and they were able to offer none)

With regard to the increase in the salary of the director, and the amount allowed for supplies, I suggested to them that they make some attempts to raise money in the community for registration campaigns, their answer was that they were considering doing this after the election of City Council members.

ONE BLACK CANDIDATE FOR CITY COUNCIL

Attorney Charles M.L. Mangum, who is about 30 years old, is running for city council in Lynchburg. There are seven members on the council. Three of the incumbents are seeking re-election. Mr. Mangum's chances are considered about 50-50, (by now that election has taken place).

OVERALL IMPRESSIONS OF LYNCHBURG DRIVE

While the project in Lynchburg had not registered many people, it was at least well organized. Their office, and all of the materials I saw in it indicated that theirs was a well organized drive, even though it did not meet with the success that we would normally expect from such organization. If this project re-applies for funds I think that we should give them very favorable consideration.

LUNENBURG COUNTY (KENBRIDGE)

In Lunenburg County I discussed the progress of the Voter Registration Project in that county with Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorn, who calls himself a "militant-non-violent civil right's leader". Mr. Hawthorn is something to see; he is tall, wears a van-dyke beard, always seems to be looking miles away, and has an ego like Fred Benette of SCLC. As you can see, Mr. Hawthorn is some character.

Mr. Hawthorn indicated to me that he had registered only 21 persons since we had funded his project. I expressed my dissapointment, and told him while I could understand that it was difficult to register large numbers of people with only four registration days per month, nevertheless we expected his project to be able to register more than 21 persons unless there were very special problems that he was encountering.

Mr. Hawthorn indicated that he was having problems. First with the registrar's husband, who is also a deputy sheriff and often registers people with his pistol on--and is hostile. He won't cooperate and as Mr. Hawthorn put it, "don't know the job". Moreover, he was having problems with his Citizenship Education Program workshops, where he would instruct people on how to register to vote. Furthermore, Mr. Hawthorn had been having less help from college students than he had before. He indicated that some students from the Virginia Civil Rights Committee had been

in to help him, but this was not enough. The ministers and the school-teachers are people who "the people are losing respect for". Futhermore Mr. Hawthorn felt that he was doing the greater portion of work. I don't doubt that, but I think that Mr. Hawthorn has designed it that way.

Registration figures are, as Mr. Hawthorn gave them to me: approximately 2,000 blacks , approximately 3,000 whites registered, approximately 500 to 600 blacks unregistered. I think that any effort made in Lunenburg County will be met with considerable difficulty. It is very difficult to register people when you have only four days a month in which to do so, and only about 600 persons to register. It may be a good idea to let this be Mr. Hawthorn's last grant for voter registration, per se.

Mr. George F. Jones, a Negro from Kenbridge, is running for City Council in Kenbridge. Judging from Mr. Hawthorn's analysis of voting behavior in that area, he has a fairly good chance of winning. Apparently he is popular and has assembled a fairly effective group of people to help him get out the vote on election day.

It can be said with a reasonable degree of accuracy, Mr. Nathaniel Hawthorn and his movement in Lunenburg County are not doing very much to get people registered to vote. Not withstanding the hostility and intimidation by the registrar and her husband, I think that much more could have been done to date. The project in Lunenburg County could stand some improvement.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY (CHASE CITY)

In Chase city I talked with Mr. Garland Davis, head of the Mecklenburg County Voters League. Mr. Davis and I discussed what had been transpiring in the voter project, and during the course of the registration drive in Mecklenburg County. He indicated that he is very well satisfied with the progress that has been made to date and was concerned about our impressions of his financial and statistical reports. I indicated that everything was in order at the time I left Atlanta.

500 PERSONS REGISTERED TO DATE

The members of the Mecklenburg County Project had been responsible for registering some 500 persons when I visited them. This was quite impressive when one considers that while the county is 62% black, most of the residents are sharecroppers; many are afraid of the poll-tax, many are afraid of losing their relief checks. So a drive that registers some 500 persons is an impressive one. Let us consider how this was done.

COOPERATIVE REGISTRAR

Mr. Davis indicated that one reason for their progress has been the cooperation of the registrar. He has allowed members to copy lists of registered voters; he informs the members of the drive effort who has, and who has not registered, and is generally amenable to doing whatever he can to make it convenient for people to register. The only

thing that he has not yielded on has been the setting up of registration places other than the county seat. It is apparent that the Mecklenburg power structure is against making available more places for registration in the county. Mr. Davis feels that since the county is 62% black, it is only natural that the power structure would act this way, to protect their own interest. It can be said that while the registrar is cooperative in some instances, those matters of more consenquence to the well being of the white power structure are de facto, decided by that power structure.

Whether or not the gains made by the Mecklenburg County Voters League in registration will be signifigant remains to be seen. In the June 11th Councilmanic election is a Clarksville Negro. His name is Leroy King. Mr. Davis was not optimistic about the possiblity of Mr. King's winning the election, he felt that Mr. King's incumbent opponent had about a 60-40 chance of winning.

From the standpoint of organization I would say that the project is very well organized, as a matter of fact, throughout my travels in Virginia, this was the only project that was organized throughout the county. There were representatives of this organization in every precinct in the county. This is saying quite a bit for a rural-oriented county. And it says further that the more extensively an organization prepares itself for the county, to that extent it will be successful.

The case of Mecklenburg County bears this out.

The people in this county are very beautiful people. Although they have very little, they still understand the problems they face, they recognize their needs and their shortcomings. They have a strong sense of purpose, and it is this that undoubtly guides them.

HALIFAX COUNTY

In Halifax County I talked with Mr. Bannister Carden, head of the Halifax County voter registration project. Mr. Carden is a very well-to-do black farmer who owns quite a bit of property in the area. I went out into the fields on one of his farms and talked with him as he sat in the seat of his tractor and plowed several acres. Mr. Carden is a personable man, seemingly very gentle. He is soft spoken , but seemingly very sincere. I was impressed by him.

OVER 200 PERSONS REGISTERED SINCE DRIVE BEGAN

The eight workers involved in the Halifax County voter registration drive had been responsible for registering over 200 persons since their drive began. Mr. Carden explained that they might have had more success had it not been for some problems encountered with the registrar of Halifax County. According to Mr. Carden, the registrar had been very uncooperative. He had made excuses about not being able to come to his office on certain days, being late for registration appointments, and a general reluctance to register black voters. Several members of the black community approached him to try to resolve some of the problems that they had, but to no avail. So the members of the Halifax County movement decided that perhaps they should appeal to the Justice Department for help in this regard.

BLACKS REQUEST VOTING EXAMINER

Recognizing that there could be no just resolution of differences with the registrar, the members of the Halifax movement decided to take their complaints to the Justice Department. Mr. Carden himself made a telephone call to the Department in Washington, and spoke with a Mr. Miller, who informed him that the Justice Department would take into consideration the request. Mr. Carden asked for Federal voting examiners in the county. Mr. Miller replied that he would see what he could do.

Approximately two weeks after Mr. Carden made his call to Washington, the registrar began cooperating more than he had before, but still not to the satisfaction of the blacks involved in the registration drive. The registrar still refuses to give black workers the list of black voters in the county. The excuse for this is that black and white vothers are listed together, and there is no possible way that he could do this. Still, Mr. Carden wants to appeal to the Justice Department for he feels that there is enough need for examiners in this south Virginia county.

In the June 11th Councilmanic election there was a Negro running, Mr. Joe Bostick. According to Mr. Carden, Mr. Bostick is not expected to win in his bid for elective office.

From my limited observation of this project, I think that I can conclude that it is a fairly well-run project. The county is very rural. There is no heavily concentrated area of blacks. There are many blacks living in it, but they are scattered. Any project working in the county necessarily has a difficult task to perform. I think the people in Halifax County are trying and are making some gains in their efforts to register the blacks in the county and I have no complaints.

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY

In marked contrast to the other counties I visited in Virginia, Pittsylvania County has 54 places where citizens may register to vote. Pittsylvania is a large county, the largest in Virginia. The 54 places I referred to are precincts in the county. One would think that this would mean that a large number of people would be registered to vote. But this is not the case. On the dates that I visited the project only 205 persons had registered to vote. The problem is not one of having a place to register, the problem is one of having someone at the place to do the registering.

Mrs. Virginia Johnson, project director explained to me there is a problem of catching the registrar at his precinct. Very often the precinct is a county store. There are no regular hours, often "lady-luck" is the real registrar. This then, compounds the problems for the people working. They must not only seek out people to register to vote in a large county, but must also attempt to ascertain when the registrar at a particuliar precinct will be there to register those people.

PROJECT SEEMLY WELL-ORGANIZED

The project in Pittsylvania County has over 100 persons working in it. There are 10 chairmen who coordinate the overall operation of the drive, there are 54 precinct chairmen who have their own telephone and transportation chairmen. Each precinct labors in its own "beat". So, from all indications, the problem is not one of inadequate organization and coordination. It is

instead one of selected discrimination by precinct registrars, who are white.

As of November, 1967, there were approximately 45,000 blacks registered to vote, as opposed to 13,000 whites. Mrs. Johnson believes that there are still anywhere from 3000 to 4000 unregistered blacks in the county. She cites their reluctance to pay the poll-tax as one of the reasons for a lack of enthusiasm in regard to registering. I asked Mrs. Johnson if people knew that the poll-tax had been outlawed. She said that very few did, and those who were told that the poll-tax had been outlawed indicated that they were still receiving their notices in the mail. (I understand that while the tax has been outlawed, the state still sends the notice to everyone, although they are not bound to pay it.) We see here that after three years the poll-tax is very much in the minds of people, and it is not surprising, with the state's attitude toward tax notices being what it is reported to be in the state of Virginia.

In the June 11th Councilmanic election, one black man was running for the City Council of Chatham. His name is Omega Davis. Mrs. Johnson felt that his chances for being elected were good.

While in Danville, I attended a meeting of the Danville Voters League, and talked at length with Mr. Edward Beavers, President of the League, Mr. Ron Charity and his wife, Attorney Ruth Harvey. All expressed their appreciation for the aid VEP had made available to the Danville Voters League, and expressed an avid interest and in inflated hope that they would be able to secure more funds for their campaign after the election. I indicated that after the proper analysis of the results of their drive, we would consider their request for additional funds.

At the meeting I attended, it was revealed that 327 persons had been registered since the beginning of the project. This number, added to the 5400 previously registered, would bring the total black registration for the city of Danville to 5,727. Members of the Voter's League were not very impressed with this number. Nearly all of the almost 20 in attendance that evening felt that more could have been done. They felt that they could have had more cooperation from the community in general and the registrar. I suppose that this has become a classic excuse. I expressed my appreciation for being there with with that evening, and wished for them the best in the upcoming election.

In that election there were two black candidates for the City Council, Mr. Charles H. Harris and Mr. J. L. Williams.

They were among 15 persons vying for 5 seats on the council. The prospects for the black candidates were not considered very good, nontheless, the members of the League vowed to try and get a 95% turnout on election day.

Mr. Ron Charity is a very impressive person. I am very impressed with his seeming ability to organize and I am also impressed with the respect he seems to have from the people throughout the 2nd Congressional District. He has organized Youth Activists for participation in various registration drives. Apparently this has been very successful. Mr. Charity was looking forward to the summer to try and bolster the existing groups. As I indicated to you in our staff meeting of about four weeks ago, prehaps Charity would be a person to consider for the directorship of a Virginia VEP. So much for that.

I think that the Danville Project is probably one of those average to better than average projects. I was unable to observe the project in operation, because the books were closed for the election. I suppose it would be safe to assume, from the standpoint of reporting, that they are doing all that they can, and the project is going well.

MARTINSVILLE - HENRY - PATRICK COUNTY DRIVE

In Martinsville I talked with Mr. Joseph Pritchard, director of the project and Mrs. Marionette Wiggins, secretary to the project. Both indicated that after three weeks in operation all of their wok had been concentrated in the Martinsville area. 199 persons had been registered, bringing the black registration to a total of 1,958 as opposed to the white registration which was 5,230. Mrs. Williams and Mr. Pritchard indicated that they had done no work with the Henry and Patrick County areas for they were trying to concentrate on Martinsville because of the Councilmanic election. The books closed on May 11th and they were trying to insure that a local black, Mr. William B. Hobson would be victorious in his bid for election to one of the five vacant seats on the City Council.

Although the project was scheduled to begin work the week following my visit to Martinsville, I am skeptical about the ability of the people involved in the project to make any headway in Henry and Patrick Counties. For one thing I think the area that they have to cover is much too large for a project of this size. The other thing is that I was not very impressed with the people that I talked with. Sure, they all looked like very honest and hard working people, but from talking with them I got the feeling that they were operating with a high degree of organizational uncertanity. They were

groping for a way to make their project work, but their sense of direction was very bad. For instance, when I asked about the extent of organized activity in the Patrick and Henry County areas, all they could say was that they were trying to find some leaders in these counties. Of course to people in Martinsville, this is their own little bailwick, so one would not expect them to really care very much about registration in Henry and Patrick Counties.

I say all of this to say, in the future, instead of funding this group for the three areas, to fund them instead only for the Martinsville project, and to find someone in the other areas who would be interested in conducting the project.

From the standpoint of registration, I was told that the registrar in Martinsville was very copperative. The project has encountered no problems in registering people.

One futher note about the candidancy of Mr. Hobson. Because there are seven candidates running for office, Mrs. Wiggins feels that he has a very good chance of being elected. Not being familiar with the voting habits of the area, I can only accept her judgment.

In terms of personnel, I was told that approximately 15 adults were working in the drive and from 20-25 youth. I didn't see any of these individuals while I was there. Perhaps they had gone fishing that day.

I recommend very close scrutiny of any futher proposals we receive from this group.

MILLENNIUM ?

I've grown weary
Of hearing empty words
Of seeing wingless birds
Of feeling cold callous hands
Of being nothing to the world.

Sunrise:
Just a streak, signals another
False hope.

Sunset mingles with Darkness
The cold sets in
The path home becomes blurred
I can see very little besides nothing
Oh but how I feel
The piercing pain
Of putrid progress.

June 15, 1968

Mr. Dave Uhrich
WQXI Radio Station
1611 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Dave:

This is to confirm, per our telephone conversation yesterday, my commitment to appear on your Television show on July 3, from 12:30 to 1:30 p. m. at the WQXI studio.

Pursuant to your request please find enclosed a couple of items giving you some information about the Southern Regional Council. We will forward to you additional information if you deem it necessary.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

June 15, 1968

Mr. Donald Hollowell
Regional Director
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
1776 Peachtree Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hollowell:

The Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Virginia, June 21 - 23, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with lunch on the 23rd.

In addition to an evaluation of the current VEP activities, we will be taking a serious look at VEP programsobjectives for the next three years. We would like very much to have you share in this session on the direction of VEP after 1968.

Please therefore mark these dates on your calendar and let us know if we may expect you at Capahosic. A more detailed agenda and other information as to how to get to Capahosic will be forwarded to you at a later date.

We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/rh

June 15, 1968

Mr. Raymond Wheeler
3724 Warrington Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

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Please complete the enclosed travel form and return it to us in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Capahosic is 65 miles from Richmond, Virginia. You will be met in Richmond if you desire, by a VEP staff member, and transposted to Capahosic. We will also provide transportation back to Richmond Sunday afternoon.

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June 15, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina 27706

Dear Sam:

Enclosed please find a tentative agenda for the VEP Advisory Committee meeting next week, and a list of the persons who have been invited to participate. It promises to be a good meeting, and with your help and direction, I am confident that we will achieve our purpose.

My apologies for disrupting your moments of rest this morning, but like the song says, "there ain't no rest for the weary." Love to Sylvia. See you on Friday.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 17, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP & Voter Registration Office
1630 North 4th Avenue
Room 407
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Regretfully, this is to inform you that the Voter Education Project finds itself in a position that it cannot, for the moment, fund the proposals submitted for Alabama for the first five days in July. I am aware of the work that has gone into the preparation of the proposals, the anticipation of grants at the local level, and my letter to you of May 8. Justifiable consideration, however, suggests that we cannot make these grants at this time.

I am enclosing herewith a schedule of grants made to NAACP branches across the South, totaling 32 grants in the amount of $49,880.00.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 17, 1968

Mr. John Morsell
Assistant Executive Director
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
20 West 40th Street
New York, New York

Dear John:

The enclosed schedule of grants by the Voter Education Project to NAACP branches in the South may be of some value to you at the Atlantic City Conference.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 17, 1968

Mr. Myron F. Wicke
General Secretary
Board of Education
The Methodist Church
Division of Higher Education
P. O. Box 871
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Mr. Wicke:

In response to your letter of May 2, concerning Dillard University, please find enclosed some biographical data.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 17, 1968

Mr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
102 Reynolda Village
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Bill:

This is to acknowledge with gratitude the grant of $30,000 to the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc., $2,500 of which is designated for the North Carolina Voter Education Project. It is our understanding that we may expect one-half of this grant on/or about October 15, 1968 and the remainder of same sometime during fiscal 68-69.

We are indeed pleased with another expression of confidence by the Babcock Foundation in our program. Your support is so important to us because it is the only support South of the Mason Dixie Line, that we have. It is our hope that we will continue to merit your faith and confidence.

Sincerely,

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Voter Education Project

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Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 17, 1968

Mr. Duncan Wright
Uncas Road
Guilford, Conn. 06437

Dear Mr. Wright:

In reply to your recent telephone conversation in regard to volunteer work for the summer, I believe if you contact Mr. John McCown, Executive Director, Georgia Council on Hyman Relations, 52 Fairlie Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, that he will be able to put you to work.

Personally, I believe that working for the Georgia Council would be the easy way out for you. To be quite frank, I think that if you looked around your immediate community you would be able to find a spot where your services would be needed as much as any place in the South.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

June 17, 1968

Mr. Robert Swann, Field Director
International Independence Institute
RFD 1, Box 197 B
Voluntown, Conn. 06384

Dear Bob:

Would you please send to Mr. F. Ray Marshall, Chairman, Department of Economics, College of Business and Economics, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506, all of the recent correspondence that you have sent me in regard to the land trust.

I would think that Ray Marshall would be an excellent name to place on your permanent mailing list.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

June 17, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Raymond:

Delighted to see the front page of this morning's Observer.

I am also pleased that you will be at Capahosic. Perhaps then we can discuss the state Council Committee and a number of other things.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 17, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
New World Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Vernon:

Enclosed is a pretty long document which I thought you would be interested in.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.
(Ltr. dtd. Apr. 30, 1968 from Arnold Leibowitz Economic Development Administration of the U. S. Dept, of Commerce.)

June 17, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
The Ford Foundation
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Chris:

While the enclosed letter is quite long, I thought you would be interested in it.

Ray Marshall has also read the letter and recently spent some time with Arnold Leibowitz. Ray and I have explored the possibility of a study such as Leibowitz proposes being done at the University of Kentucy with SRC cooperating to a substantial degree.

Marshall and I have also discussed Williams who did meet last weekend with the marketing specialist from SWAFCA and the Grande Marie Co-Op. John Lewis hopes to go over next week to talk with McKnight and Williams, after which I will give you a further report.

On Friday Jim Wood went to Tuskegee Institute relative to answering your question about the 40-acre farm. The information available was very disappointing. Our research department is now working on the question, and I hope you will have something soon.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

June 17, 1968

Mr. Arnold H. Leibowitz
Director
Office of Technical Assistance
U. S. Department of Commerce
Economic Development Administration
Washington, D. C. 20230

Dear Arnold:

Several of us here have spent considerable time discussing the ideas in your letter of April 30th. Also, I have shared your letter with Vernon Eagle, Director, New World Foundation, and Christopher Edley, Ford Foundation. I assume you have no objection to this.

One of the big problems in trying to implement your proposals is a clash with our policy of not accepting, directly, public funds. I have mainly been trying to find an answer that would allow the study to be made, include our participation to at least some degree, and yet find another appropriate sponsor.

Your recent conversation with Ray Marshall at the University of Kentucky may have resolved this. Ray feels that it would be entirely possible for the University of Kentucky to sponsor such a study and that they have some particularly good resources there. We have had a long telephone

conversation about this and hope to pursue it further after he discusses it with some of the other faculty members at the University.

I do hope we can get together again soon.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 17, 1968

Mr. Nathan Perlmutter
Associate Director
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Nate:

We are in agreement as I knew we would be.

I have read Reese Cleghorn's manuscript and like it. However, neither Pat Watters nor Bob Anderson have read it and I would like to get their reactions as soon as they can give them. I do hope we can move this one along very rapidly, and look forward to publication.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Separate mailing:

Fall 1967 NEW SOUTH
Winter 1968 NEW SOUTH
On The National Crisis (Policy Statement)
Publications List

June 17, 1968

Mr. Walter C. Bentrup
305 "K" Street
Monroe, Louisiana 71201

Dear Mr. Bentrup:

Under separate cover we are sending you several publications that I hope will be of use to you.

The death of the child and the related tragedies of the situation you describe are so hideously typical.

Do come to visit us if ever you are in Atlanta, and in the meantime, every good wish for your work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 17, 1968

Mr. Paul W. Matthias
Executive Director
The South Carolina Council on Human
Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

I am very sorry I missed you on Friday. I tried to return your call several times during mid-day and late afternoon, but was unable to reach you.

Regrettably, I have a longstanding commitment with the Voter Education Project over next weekend. So, too, unfortunately, does Jim Wood. Otherwise, I would suggest that he come.

Best wishes for a good meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 17, 1968

Mr. Charles O. Prejean
Executive Director
Federation of Southern Cooperatives
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Charles;

Enclosed is our check for $5,000 representing a grant in support of the Freedom Quilting Bee. As you know, no part of these funds is to be used in violation of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Also, of course, we shall expect normal accounting of these funds.

At your convenience please indicate receipt of this grant on the enclosed carbon copy of this letter and return it to us.

Every good wish for your important work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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Enclosures - 2.
cc: Father Walter
Mr. Tom Wahman

VIA AIR MAIL June 17, 1968

Mr. Carl Holman
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
800 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Carl:

While I will be in Washington on June 19th it is necessary that I return to Atlanta that evening. So, I will not be able to make your meeting on the 20th.

However, I am very interested in the Mississippi Black Angus Project, and hope you will keep me informed.

Perhaps I will see you on Wednesday.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 17, 1968

Mrs. Adele S. Trobe
Assistant Field Director
Planned Parenthood World Population
515 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Trobe:

Thank you for your nice note. It was my pleasure to be with you, and I only regret that we had so little time.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 18, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Legal Defense Fund
216 West 10th Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Bob:

With my usual stunning efficiency I opened all the May mail this morning and discovered your letter. Thank you for the "headhunters" prize egg, and for remembering that I really like to keep up with what is going on. In spite of what your headline said, I still support Wilkie.

You might like to meet John and Rena Hondrow in Charlotte. John teaches history at Queens College and used to live in Auburn. They are good people.

Folks in North Carolina wear shoes a lot , I hear.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

June 19, 1968

Mrs. James Dolbey
5 Twin Hill Ridge Drive
Cincinnati, Ohio 45228

Dear Mrs. Dolby:

We are anxious to have you with us at the annual session of The Fellowship of the Concerned, October 23-24, to be held here at the Atlantan Hotel. This is a part of the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council and brings together state and conference leaders of the three faiths, Y.W.C.A. and Labor. Also the state leaders of Church Women United from the ten Southern states.

The theme this year is "Human Rights the World Around." Please hold these dates open for us -- we need you.

Here's hoping for a "yes" reply.

You and I have some kinship--we are both Dorothy's and both Methodist.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Director
Woman's Work

MET/rh

June 19, 1968

Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild
The Temple
1589 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Rabbi Rothschild:

We are returning the copy of your memorial address on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

We thank you for being so kind to give us the privilege of making copies of it for the King scrap books.

I have been a debtor to you for many years - for many favors - and I am grateful to you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

June 19, 1968

American Bar Association
Criminal Law Division
1155 East 60th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637

Gentlemen:

I understand you have made a recent study of the bail bond system in the United States. We are making a survey of criminal justice in the South and such material as contained in your report would be of great assistance. We would appreciate a copy of such a report plus any other materials you may have that might be useful in our survey.

Yours truly,

Clarence F. Seeliger
Staff Assistant
Project on Administration
of Justice

CFS/cl

June 19, 1968

Louisiana State University Press
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Sirs:

We are in receipt of your copy of our order for Before and After by Isaac DuBose Seabrook for $5.50.

Our records show that we mailed you a check dated June 8, No. 2785 which was endorsed and cancelled July 10, 1967. Perhaps a further check of your files will reveal receipt of this.

If we can be of further assistance in this matter, write us again.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

June 19, 1968

Sister Mary Rose
Emmaus House
1017 Capitol Avenue, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Dear Sister:

Enclosed herewith please find our check in the amount of $324.00 to supplement the salary of Mr. Andrew Smith for summer work at Emmaus House.

We are pleased to share in this venture with Emmaus House, and hope that it is just the beginning of many fruitful projects.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Projectt

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Enclosure

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June 19, 1968

Mr. Peter Johnson
Chairman
The Louisiana Rights Organization
to Sustain Equality
c/o Mr. William Samuel
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Louisiana Rights Organization to Sustain Equality for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Scotlandville area of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 to run from June 14 to August 9, 1968, for a period of eight weeks.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

a) Director's Expenses @ $ 30.00 per week	$ 240.00
b) Task Force Workers (4) @ $15.00 per week	480.00
c) Transportation	250.00
Printing and Postage	30.00
Total	$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropiate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and your officers of your project should read these and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one-week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

The These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

June 19, 1968

Mr. James W. Caldwell
Chairman
Maury Voter Education Project
512 Hill Street
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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June 20, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
Field Foundation
100 E. 85th St.
New York City, 10028

Dear Les:

There are a few copies of Hunger, U.S.A. in the office, but everyone claims one as his very own; hence, this plea for one for the files and a few extras if possible.

Thought you could arrange it. Thanks so much, and my best to all of you.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

Mailed separately: New South, December 1955,
xeroxed copies of newsclips
"Teacher Integration in St. Louis"

June 20, 1968

Miss P. L. Freeman
Box 49, Hanes Annex
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Miss Freeman:

In response to your letter of June 17 which requested information concerning the methods employed in faculty desegregation, we are mailing you some material that might be of value.

We are also including some newspaper clips that provide some information about various methods that have been used to integrate school faculties. We have also enclosed a copy of, "Teacher Integration in St. Louis," which you requested.

We hope the information we have been able to provide will assist you in your study. You might also like to contact the Southern Education Reporting Service, 1109 Nineteenth Avenue, South, Nashville, Tennessee, for further information.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Vera Thurmond
Research Assistant

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P: 7.

June 20, 1968

University of Miami
Coral Gables
Florida, 33124

Gentlemen:

We are interested in your study of Negro-White school gaps in the educational system.

Would it be possible to have a copy of this study?

Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,

Bernice S. Morrison (Librarian)
Research Department

June 20, 1968

The Crisis Publishing Company, Inc.
20 West 40th Street
New York, New York 10018

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to your publication for another year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

June 20, 1968

The News and Observer
Circulation Department
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to your paper for another year, and send us an advance invoice so that the service will be uninterrupted.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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June 20, 1968

Mr. Robert Sherrill
219 Third Street, N. E.
Washington, D. C. 20002

Dear Bob:

Here are your author's galleys on the Klan piece. It's a shortened version, as I think Pat explained, condensed for NEW SOUTH publication.

I am reading your Gothic Politics, beginning, quite naturally, in the middle with our own home grown boy. It's all great stuff -- though it brings back a lot of sad, sad election evenings when, being much younger and unbelievably naive, I thought they stopped voting when the polls closed!

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Enclosure
P. S. If you have corrections on the galleys -- give me a collect call -- 522-9764.

ROSTER OF PARTICIPANTS

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OF THE

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

JUNE 21 - 23, 1968

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FRIDAY - JUNE 21

6:00 p. m. -- DINNER

7:30 -- FIRST SESSION

-- Samuel D. Cook, Presiding

-- VEP STAFF REPORTS

-- Vernon Jordan -- An Overview

-- Thad Olive -- Finance

-- Marvin Wall -- Research

-- Julian Bond --
Special Research Project

-- Weldon Rougeau -- Field Work

-- Tony Dunbar -- Student Activities

SATURDAY - JUNE 22

8:00 a. m. -- BREAKFAST

9:00 - 10:00 -- SECOND SESSION

-- C. G. Gomillion, Presiding

-- REPORTS FROM THE STATEWIDE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECTS

-- ARKANSAS -- Ben Grinage

-- LOUISIANA -- William Samuel

-- NORTH CAROLINA -- John Edwards

-- SOUTH CAROLINA -- James Felder

10:00 - 12:00 NOON

-- THE NEGRO VOTE IN THE '67 - '68 ELECTIONS

-- Marvin Wall

-- WHAT'S AHEAD FOR 1968

-- Samuel Cook

-- DISCUSSION

12:30 p. m. -- LUNCH

SATURDAY - JUNE 22 (Cont'd)

2:00 - 4:00 p. m. -- THIRD SESSION

-- Jesse Hill, Presiding

-- THE FUTURE OF THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

-- Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

6:00 p. m. -- DINNER

7:30 -- FOURTH SESSION

-- Vivian Henderson, Presiding

-- PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF NEGRO ELECTED OFFICIALS

-- Mrs. Geneva Collins,
Chancery Clerk
Claiborne County, Mississippi

-- Horace Ward
Member, Georgia Senate

-- Henry Marsh
City Councilman
Richmond, Virginia

-- Julian Bond,
Member, Georgia House of Representatives

SUNDAY - JUNE 23

8:00 a. m.	--	BREAKFAST
9:00 - 11:00	--	FINAL SESSION
		-- C. H. Thomas, Presiding
	--	SOUTHWIDE MEETING OF NEGRO ELECTED OFFICIALS
		-- Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
11:00 - 12:00 NOON		
	--	OTHER BUSINESS
12:30	--	LUNCH
	--	ADJOURNMENT

June 24, 1968

The Reverend Charles Sanders, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Stuart Trapp, Legal Counsel
Original Cherokee Community Organization
Post Office Box 791
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464

Dear friends:

Many thanks for your letter of June 19, and we appreciate having your expense account for our auditors. (I must say--your estimate before the meeting was certainly close!)

I sincerely appreciate the invitation to visit you. Be assured that I will do so at the first opportunity.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

Mr. Jack Middleton
1700 Asp Avenue
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

Dear Jack:

An undated note on my desk upon my return from vacation tells me that you want a list of the steering committee for the Southwest Intergroup relations council group.

Professor Witherspoon was to appoint that committee and has done so, I believe, only in the last day or two. (He was delayed by a crisis at the Law School.) I do not have the list. Will be happy to let you know as soon as I find out.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

AIR MAIL

Executive Inn Motor Hotel
3232 West Mockingbird Lane
Dallas, Texas

Gentlemen:

We wish to reserve twelve (12) single rooms for the night of July 13, 1968. All occupants will arrive before 6:00 P. M. Shortly before that date Professor Joseph Witherspoon of the School of Law, University of Texas, will send you a list of the names of persons to occupy these rooms.

Can you provide us a small meeting room to use from the morning of July 13 through the afternoon of July 14?

Yours truly,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Joseph P. Witherspoon

June 24, 1968

Mrs. Frankie M. Freeman
National President
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.
1814 M Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Thank you very much for the invitation to attend the Delta Sigma Theta meeting in Atlanta on June 15. Unfortunately, I was out of town on vacation when the invitation came, as well as at the time of the meeting.

I trust it was a successful affair.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

I have your letter of June 14 concerning membership in the Southern Interagency Conference for the Association of Human Relations Council Directors. This will be brought up at our next meeting, which I believe is to be in September.

Thanks, too, for the copies of "Council Comment."

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. R. P. Sanchez
223 South 17th Street
McAllen, Texas 78501

Dear Mr. Sanchez:

The statement from your travel agency came while I was on vacation. Sorry about the slight delay.

Our check to you is being mailed today under separate cover.

I look forward to seeing you again and to further development of the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

Mr. William Thomas
Memphis Search for Meaning Committee, Inc.
3677 Southern Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee 38111

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thank you for your letter of June 17. I am happy to hear of the effort and purpose of your group.

I do not believe that I have notable information or insights other than the material in the Memphis report and its two supplements. I would be glad to have you tape an interview, nevertheless, if you wish. However, I have no plans for a trip to Memphis in the immediate future.

I trust you will let me know whether you will be coming to Atlanta or wish me simply to notify you before my next trip to Memphis.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 24, 1968

Mr. Aubrey N. Brown, Jr.
Editor
The Presbyterian Outlook
512 East Main Street
Richmond 19, Virginia

Dear Aubrey:

You may be as surprised as I at the promptness of this response.

Enclosed is a statement which I hope you will find adequate, along with a glossy print.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

June 24, 1968

Dear Bob:

All the cynicism about processes and all the absurdity aside, I want to say how very much moved I have been by how far you have stuck your neck out for me, and the expression of confidence this involves. I will do my damndest to live up to it.

I'm enclosing the articles we discussed.

Do you think it would do any good for me to write a letter to Solotaroff urging that they get the book out before the election?

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

Encls.

Dr. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

June 24, 1968

Dear Bob and Mary:

Well, I went and watched the poor people civil disobey all around the agriculture department, and watching that fellow Robertson with a vein stuck out on his forehead and his lips pursed in disgust like a man getting rid of rats in his basement and the assortment of other bureaucrats, cops, justice department fellows, all that fine crew, hopping around and efficiently like dentists with shiny steel instruments arresting all those kids and old Negro ladies and gentlemen, I swear I got to feeling so nostalgic, so downright homesick (it was just like the old days down here) that I went and caught my airplane and here I am. I missed the part where, as the radio newscast in the cab put it, the police found it necessary to subdue some of the demonstrators with nightsticks, but I've seen that before, too, and it just made me want to get back home all the more. And all the while, I kept thinking about how wise, how smart it is that there is a fad and fashion now to lionize and listen profoundly to any punk kid from a ghetto who heads a cutthroat gang like the gentleman I met at the march name of Sweet William who headed the gang that went berserk curing Dr. King's last march in Memphis and sort of you might say set the stage for his assassination and now had an OEO grant -- anyhow, how fine that the Urban Coalition talks and listens to such as this while my as Lester says government in Washington locks up the last of the nonviolent movement, subduing where necessary . . . .

It was good seeing you all; the dinner was wonderful; I am sorry I was too pooped to do it justice.

I've started on a bibliography.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sherrill
219 Third Street, N. E.
Washington, D. C. 20002

June 24, 1968

Miss Lynn Sokler
1147 Buchanan Street
Hollywood, Florida 33020

Dear Miss Sokler:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on Negro history.

I suggest you obtain the following books:

Eyewitness: The Negro in American History
by William Loren Katz

The Negro and the Schools
by Harry S. Ashmore

The American Negro Reference Book
by John P. Davis

Some of the schools that are teaching Negro history are:

Clark University in Worchester, Massachusetts
Western University in Kalamazoo, Michigan
Detroit University in Detroit, Michigan
All public schools in Frankford, Kentucky

A list of textbooks suggested to be used are:

Story of the Negro - ARNA Bontemps
(for upper and junior high schools)

The Story of the American Negro by Earl S. Miens
(upper elementary and junior high schools)

The Unfinished March by Carol F. Drisko & Edgar Toppin
(the history of the Negro in the U. S.
during the civil war and Reconstruction)

Time of Trial, the Time of Hope by Milton Meltzer
and August Meier

A Pictorial History of the Negro in America by
Langston Hughes and Milton Meltzer

Teachers' Guide to American Negro History by Wm. T. Katz
(resource materials for teachers and administrators)

The Negro in America: A Bibliography by Elizabeth W.
Miller

A Layman's Guide to Negro History, by Edwin A. Salk

The Negro in Modern American History, a textbook by
Irving Sloan

Black Notes by Joanne Grant

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further
assistance, pleaset let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

jcs

P. S. You may get free copies of Negro history books by
writing the sales promotion department of your local
Coca-Cola Company.

June 24, 1968

Mr. John W. Edwards
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 12, addressed to Mr. Jordan. Pursuant to your request concerning the employment of a student intern, we are delighted to inform you that funds have been allocated to the North Carolina Voter Education Project for the employment of a student intern.

Because of the lateness of the summer, we are limiting this intership to eight weeks, beginning July 1 and ending August 30, 1968, and suggest that your intern be paid directly from your office.

Enclosed are the following: a) a copy of our letter of transmittal indicating the amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) weekly report forms for your reporting.

If we can be of additional service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw
Enclosures

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Reading file

June 24, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Social Circle, Warner-Robins and Perry, Georgia

The following is a report of a field trip I made to the towns that are the subject of this report. This trip was made to accomodate the interest of a foreign visitor, Dr. Jose Imaz of Argentina. Dr. Imaz is a lawyer and political sociologist, teaching at a Catholic university in Buenos Aires. Dr. Imaz and I had a very interesting and profitable day visiting the three towns. As he expressed, he enjoyed the day "vrey much".

FIELD REPORT # 21

SOCIAL CIRCLE

In Social Circle, Dr. Imaz and I talked with Mr. Robert Howard, director of the project; field workers, Mr. Frank Hill of Good Hope, Mr. Otis Smith of Monroe, and Mr. Thomas Knox of Social Circle. Together we discussed several aspects of the project. Among these were: problems encountered, the registrar's in the county, black candidates who were running for political office, problems in mobilizing

people, the projects request for Federal Examiners, the personel of the drive, meetings and the number of persons registered since the beginning of the project.

OVER 1200 REGISTERED SINCE PROJECT BEGAN

This project in Walton County has been responsible for registering over 1200 persons since the commencement of the program. These persons have been contacted by 7 field persons, and have been confronted at meetings in churches on Sundays, through the publicity afforded by newspapers and printed materials, and through the day by day canvassing of unregistered persons. Compared to most of our other projects this is good. One would think that there are no other problems, but the people in Social Circle say that there are problems. What are these problems?

PROBLEMS WITH BLACK PEOPLE

Many persons in the Walton County area are not free to register to vote because of harrassment by white people in the county. I was told that many people in the area who refuse to register are aftaid, and they are rural residents. They fear losing their welfare benefits and some think that registering has an effect on their social security benefits. There is the outright hostility of whites that blacks, depend on, for example, the landowners. The persons engaged in this project say that this hampers their drive. They say that this makes their work much harder, they say, that having to cope with the psychological hangups of black people, which are real by almost any standards, are causing them to loose a lot of the steam that they would have with

the effort that they have been putting into the drive. If these conditions exist, and I don't doubt that they do, then they are causing problems.

But the workers in this project say that the problems are also with the registrar of the county. Mr. Howard and his workers cite the following problem: the registrar and his assistant take long lunch hours, there is only one registrar registering people when blacks are carrying large number of people to the office, the other registrar can not be found. The registrar and his assistant tend to close the office before closing time whenever there is a large number of blacks waiting to be registered. Moreover, Mr. Howard an his associates say, in 1967 the registrar refused to register a man and his wife who were illiterate, and told them that they were "too dumb to vote".

With the problem of black lethargy promoted by psychhstultification and discrimination by registrars, in the aftermath of the '65 Voting Rights Act, the people of Walton County are seeking to move in a different direction. They no longer want to talk with the registrar about these grivevances, they want Federal Examiners in the county. Toward this end, they made a request, by telegram, to Ramsey Clark. A representative from the Justice Department came to Social Circle and promised to return to hear the complaints of the people, but he did not return, and the people are still waiting.

When Dr. Imaz and I were there, they were determined to try again. They are planning to send another request to the Justice Department, with copies to other civil rights organizations. We are among the persons who will receive a copy of the second request. I told them, with politics being as they are, and this being an election year, the possibility of getting an examiner this year is slim at best.

TWO BLACK CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

Mr. Thomas Knox and Mrs. Edyth Hill are running for political office in Walton County. Mr. Knox is a candidate for the office of coronor. Mrs. Hill is a candidate for a Justice of the Peace office in District 4. (Social Circle) The workers in the project admit that the chances of their being elected are not very good.

WARNER-ROBINS

Thad, Nobbie, and Marvin had told me of the fabled Mr. Silas Smith. It was on this day that I met the "great Silas", the "huge Silas", the "big man Silas", the "something has got to be did", man. What a character.

Silas Smith told me thathis project had been resonsible for registering over 427 people. He and his task force, Vera Byrd, Pat McGee and Beulah Williams, he said, had had considerable success in registering these people. Silas claims that their only problem had been with activating the old people. He says that the old people are most resistant of the whole idea of registering to vote. He says that in the areas that he worked, Warner-Robins, Hayleville,

Kathelene and Centerville, the old people were always the ones who were most resistant to registering to vote. But still Silas felt gratified in what he had done, and I must admit, that there is some quality about Silas that makes a person really like him.

Dr. Imaz was very sophisticated politically. He touched apon a lot of truths while talking with Dr. Imaz. And of course, the whole Afro-American experience, being alien to an Argentine like DrrImaz, Silas' revelations became very pointed in his observations of black people in the United States, and I admit that it does not surprise me at all, that Silas, in the tradition of the "country nigger" is do damn adept.

Take a look at Silas Smith, take a look at the base of that hunk of a man, take a look at the agony that is written in the scar on that man's face, take a look at the sorrow that has never been seleased from that man's eyes, and I suppose that you will see that Silas has something to tell the world.

Well I supposed all of this was kind of an aside on Silas Smith, but I think Silas Smith is an extraordinary man, extraordinary in the sense that he and other extraordinary men like him have not been discovered.

Silas Smith wants to conduct a Citizenship Education Program. I told him to plan what he wanted to offer and send it to us. He promised that he would.

PERRY

While visiting Silas Smith in Warner-Robins, I went to see Mrs. Kathelenn Bynum, director of the voter registration project in Perry, Georgia. Mrs. Bynum is a very likeable person, a very warm and friendly person who seems to command a lot of respect among the people in Warner-Robins. Mr. Imaz and I talked with her about various aspects of the project in Perry.

OVER 300 REGISTERED

The project in Perry has been responsible for registering over 300 persons since its inception. Most of these persons have been registered in the traditional sense of voter registration, canvassing and approaching unregistered individuals in their residences, transporting them to the registration office, and seeing that they are registrated without difficulty. Mrs. Bynum seems to think that the number registered so far is beyond her expectations, and very signifigant, since there have been no registration drives comparable to the one being conducted now.

GOOD COOPERATION FROM COMMUNITY

Aside from the hard work of the task force workers and Mrs. Bynum, she cites community cooperation as being one of the primary reasons for the degree of success that has been obtained in the Perry drive. Apparently business and professional people in the Perry Community have done almost Mrs. Bymumnhas asked. Some of them have even engaged in the

drive, others have publicized the drive, still others have taken an active part in the canvassing and other hard work in the project. I suppose most of this cooperation can be attributed to Mrs. Bynum's having lived and worked in Perry for a number of years. Certainly she has considerable influence in the Perry Community.

CRITICISMS OF VEP

After talking with Mrs. Bynum, and listening to her answer some of Dr. Imaz's questions, I asked her if there were any criticisms that she had of the Voter Education Project in Atlanta. She indicated that she didn't have any real criticisms of VEP, she appreciated the aid we had given her for work in Perry and thought it was wonderful there was an organization doing this kind of work, lending this kind of assistance to communities like Perry all over the South. But then Mrs. Bynum reconsidered that, she said, "Oh yes, I do have a criticism, although you may not call this a criticism, it's more of a gripe. I really wish you would have given us more money for transportation, because right now we are in a bind with the amount that was given to us, and right now we are scraping the bottom." I indicated that I thought we had done the best we could, and any other money for transportation would have to come from some other source in the community. She thanked me, and said that she would see about doing something in this regard.

After we had finished talking Mrs. Bynum and her husband and Silas Smith, invited us to her private club, to as she put it, "have a little something". So Dr. Imaz and I accepted the invitation without knowing what the something" would be, although we figgured it would be a drink of liquor. So we went to the Peyton Place" and settled for a beer instead of the whiskey. We talked about the history of the Peyton Place, the politics of Houston County, three and forty years ago, and in short, enjoyed ourselves very much.

On our way back to Atlanta Dr. Imaz remarked that he was very glad that he had made this trip with me. Many of the things that he had seen on that day he was completly ignorant of, that he was impressed by the beauty and the determination of the black people he saw. He was similary impressed that there was such strong interest in doing things political for the total well-being of the black community. He was appalled at the charges of discrimination, the lack of complete enforcement of the '65 Voting Rights Act, and the many cruel and devisive means whites used to discourage blacks from registering to vote and participate in the political process. For a while he was near tears as he talked about the plight of black people in America, and he hoped for us all a better life in the future.

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

June 24, 1968

Miss Dicy L. Chester
Post Office Box 211
Leary, Georgia 31762

Dear Miss Chester:

This is to inform you that I will be in Morgan, Georgia, on Wednesday, June 26, at 8:00 p. m.

I look forward to sharing in the fellowship of your meeting.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

VEP-68-112

June 24, 1968

Mr. Woodrow Keown
Chairman
Pulaski County Action Council
3208 Frazier Pike
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Keown:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Pulaski County Action Council, for a grant to conduct a voter registration program in Pulaski County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your grogram in the amount of $2,300.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expense @ $ 35.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	Secretary's Expense $ 35.00 per week	280.00
c)	(7) Task Force Workers @$15.00 per week	840.00
d)	Transportation	500.00

Office Rent	$ 300.00
Printing and Postage	150.00
Telephone	50.00
Office Supplies	50.00
Total	$2,300.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Rev. Benjamin Grinage

June 24, 1968

The Honorable Hoarace Ward
Attorney-at-Law
859½ Hunter Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Horace:

This is to thank you for taking the time to attend our advisory Committee Meeting at Capahosic. Your comments, advise, suggestions and presence were of great value to the entire staff. We hope you enjoyed the meeting as much as we did and we look forward to getting together with you again.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $75.00 to express in a more tangible manner our appreciation.

Again, many thanks.'

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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June 24, 1968

The Honorable Henry Marsh
Attorney-at-Law
3211 Q Street
Richmond, Virginia 23223

Dear Henry:

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Again, many thanks.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rlw
Enclosure

June 24, 1968

Mrs. Geneva Collins
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Collins:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 24, 1968

Mr. Armstead L. Robinson
3230 Yale Station
New Hven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Robinson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered your request for a student internship grant to complete your project, The Irrepressible Conflict-The Negro in Reconstruction in Memphis.

We have been impressed with your progress and as a result are making a grant to you in the amount of $500.00 in order to complete this project.

In accordance with our research aims, and objectives, we will require that you submit to us at the end of the summer, a copy of your research project in addition to any other resource material that you may have compiled in connection with your project.

Please sign and return to us the enclosed receipt carbon at your earliest convenience.

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June 24, 1968

Mr. Gilbert Harrison, Sr.
Director
The Grant Parish Civic & Imrpove-
ment Organization, Inc.
New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Route 2, Box 40A
Colfax, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Harrison:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Grant Parish Civic and Improvement Organization, Inc., for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,800.00 for a period of eight weeks, to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting your grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

a)	Director's expense @ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
b)	Secretary's salary @ $ 25.00 per week	200.00
c)	(6) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week	600.00
d)	Office Supplies	50.00
e)	Telephone	50.00

f)	Printing & Postage	$ 30.00
g)	Office rent	50.00
h)	Transportation	500.00
	Total	$1,800.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. William Samuel

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-6764

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June 24, 1968

Mr. Leroy Church, President
St. Francis County Achievement
Committee
1027 End Street
Forrest City, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Church:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the St. Francis County Achievement Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in St. Francis County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,800.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary's Expenses @ $35.00 per week	280.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation	350.00
Office Rent	100.00
Office Supplies	70.00
	$ 1,800.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Ben Grinage

VOP-68-109

June 24, 1968

Mr. Willie E. Higgins, Coordinator
Community Round Table
412 South 25th Street
West Memphis, Arkansas 72301

Dear Mr. Higgins:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Community Round Table for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in West Memphis and Crittenden County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,800.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00	
Secretary's Expenses @ $35.00 per week	280.00	
Five (5) Task Force Workers @ $150.00 per week	600.00	
Transporation	350.00	
Office Supplies	70.00	
		$ 1,800.00

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A report reflecting all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipients for your information and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the Memphis and Crittenden County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,800.00 for a period of eight weeks beginning June 24, 1968. To facilitate the Project's administration, we are requiring to submit weekly reports covering the following: a) number of persons registered; b) method used in getting persons to the registration office; c) increase of number of new voters in the one-week period; d) problems encountered with local registrars, political officials, private citizens; e) threats or intimidation or economic reprisals, if any; f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Mr. Willie E. Higgins, Coordinator
Community Round Table
[illegible] 25th Street
Memphis, Arkansas 72301

Dear Mr. Higgins:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Community Round Table and is conducting a voter registration drive in West Memphis and Crittenden County.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks in order to review and the availability of additional funds. The initial grant is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Secretary's Expenses @ $35.00 per week	280.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transporation	350.00
Office Supplies	70.00
	$ 1,800.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Ben Grinage

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68-113

June 24, 1968

Mr. C. C. Akins, President
Augusta Voters League
Carver Elementary School
Augusta, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Akins:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Augusta Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Woodruff County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		250.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Office Rent		50.00
Telephone		50.00
		$1,600.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: Ben Grinage

June 24, 1968

Mr. Armstead L. Robinson
3230 Yale Station
New Hven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Robinson:

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In accordance with our research aims, and objectives, we will require that you submit to us at the end of the summer, a copy of your research project in addition to any other resource material that you may have compiled in connection with your project.

Please sign and return to us the enclosed receipt carbon at your earliest convenience.

We sincerely hopeethis grant will enable you to complete your project, and look forward to hearing form you from time-to-time, and receiving a copy of your report.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

Check in the amount of $500.00 received from the Voter Education Project on this _____day of _____, 1968.

Signed:_____

via air mail special delivery

June 25, 1968

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

I showed Paul the letter from the Rockefeller Foundation, and our main reaction was to urge strongly that you take them up on it one way or another. As I understand the thing (and I got a letter similar to yours), they want to include southern writers in their program more or less for the first time, and ones who are dealing with realities rather than moonbeams and myths. Bob Coles apparently has been the guiding hand in this.

Your judgment about which project to submit to them, is, of course, what should prevail. We would be happy to see the original essay idea expanded into a book, but certainly understand the feeling you expressed to me on my recent visit that you just weren't that interested in the subject. The attached copy of the letter from Paul explains how the Rockefeller people got wind of it, and he didn't know at the time about your feeling. I would think the foundation would be just as interested in your other project. My experience with them has been that you can be fairly vague about what it is exactly you will be doing. Maybe some mention of both projects would be suitable -- in the event that the thing on the writers builds in the writing process to more than you think it will. (I say this because that nearly always happens to me on any piece of writing. Maybe you are more disciplined.)

May I make one other suggestion -- that you call or write Bob Coles about the thing and get his thinking?

(Coolidge Road, Concord, Massachusetts; area code 617/ EM 9-6498.) One thing he emphasized to me is that one shouldn't stint in naming an amount of money -- I guess on the theory that these yankees have more than they know what to do with, and seldom reach as good a cause as the South.

Anyhow, I hope it all works out.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

Encls.

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina 29104

June 25, 1968

Mr. Robert W. Waymer
Vine City Foundation, Inc.
588 Magnolia Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Waymer:

Thank you for letting me read your thesis. It obviously represents a lot of hard work and sound research.

Generally, it seems too technical for the average reader of NEW SOUTH. However, for a social worker's professional journal, it certainly seems publishable to me. The restrictions of thesis writing, I know, are severe, but I wonder if it would not be possible to emphasize sooner the points made on page 27 (second and third grafs) which are really the crux of the paper. They are, of course, suggested earlier, but to me the relationships did not jell soon enough.

As I say, these are fairly general comments. From the point of view from which the work was done, I think you have produced an admirable paper and one which should have impact.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js
Encl.

June 25, 1968

Paul S. Eriksson, Inc., Publisher
119 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Sirs:

In February of this year, we placed a prepaid order for one copy of Black Misery with text by Langston Hughes and drawings by Suzanne Heller. Our check for $2.50 was returned because the book was not yet ready for publication, and we were informed it would be published sometime in June or July. If the book is now available, please send us a copy and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

June 25, 1968

Dr. Frank C. Foster
Apartment Seven
2400 Grandview Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Dear Dr. Foster:

Thank you for taking the time to write us your good comments on the quality of NEW SOUTH.

You are, of course, perfectly right that the issues are fundamentally the same as they have always been. Events have only served to make them more apparent and the need for cures more acute.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

June 25, 1968

Mrs. Eliza Paschall
Executive Director
Metropolitan Atlanta Summit Leadership
Congress, Inc.
201 Ashby Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Eliza:

To my sincere regret we simply don't have funds available for the program you outline. Is there any other way we can help?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM June 25, 1968

To: John Lewis

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director, SRC

Re: A Permanent, Living Memorial for the Late Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

As you know, better than I, there are a significant number of self-help and cooperative efforts now emerging throughout the region and the nation. These efforts, all concerned with the poor and largely involving the several minorities in the country, are genuine and appealing developments with the aim of creating economic resources. Among the things these groups need most are small grants for organization and loans for development. I sincerely believe there could be no more fitting memorial to Senator Robert Kennedy than a repository of funds from which small grants and loans could be made. Further, I believe such a memorial would attract funds from throughout the country in sufficient amounts to make this a permanent memorial in memory of the Senator's concern with poverty and his determination to abolish it.

I and others would be happy to go into more detail about this if you and Senator Ted Kennedy feel this idea has merit.

June 25, 1968

Mr. Norman H. Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 14th St.
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

The gal is Mrs. Patricia B. Miller, Louisiana Council on Human Relations, First Federal Savings and Loan Building, 7986 Scenic Highway, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

June 25, 1968

Mr. Chris Eckl
The Georgia Bulletin
P. O. Box 11667
Northside Station
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Chris:

Thanks for the resumé. A copy is being forwarded this week to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights. Hope something comes out of it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 25, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

As it now develops our Program Committee will be meeting well before the Executive Committee. Therefore, we will have an opportunity to discuss your proposal before anything else is done with it.

I look forward to seeing you next month.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Reading

June 25, 1968

U. S. Civil Rights Commission
801 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20425

Gentlemen:

The Southern Regional Council is considering a study examining the administration of criminal justice in the South in relation to the Negro.

There are three points of inquiry:

1. How are the administrators selected? (Are they elected, personally hired or selected under a merit system?)

2. What are their attitudes toward the Negro?

3. How does selection and attitude affect the quality of justice received by the Negro?

"Administrator" means any person or persons that could affect the Negro suspect, including arresting officials, magistrates, prosecuting and defending lawyers, et.al.

In 1963, the Civil Rights Commission completed a report from the Mississippi Advisory Committee on the condition of its justice. I would appreciate a copy of that report and anything else on the administration of criminal justice in the South that you may have of more recent vintage.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence F. Seeliger

CFS/vmb

June 25, 1968

The Honorable Arthur J. Goldberg
United States Representative to
the United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

My dear Ambassador Goldberg:

While we certainly appreciate your predicament, we also understand why you will not be able to address the Council in November.

With every good wish for the future,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 25, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Frank:

We have created a special committee of 6 persons to review the status of state Councils relative to our grant-making to them for next year. This committee would also be free to make suggestions about any matters related to the relationship of SRC and the state Councils. With the state Council Directors Association we have worked out a plan whereby the state directors will designate three persons to serve, and Raymond Wheeler will designate three members of our Executive Committee.

This weekend Raymond and I discussed this matter and agreed to ask Sam Cook, Vivian Henderson, and you to serve. Both Raymond and I sincerely regret having to ask you to take on this additional responsibility, but we would be most grateful if you would agree to do so.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Raymond Wheeler

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

June 25, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Council Directors

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Under separate cover we are sending each of you about 200 copies of a new brochure, descriptive of the Southern Regional Council. It is exactly like the previous one in outward appearance, but the text has been updated.

We would be happy to send more, if needed.

June 25, 1968

Miss Marian Tilden
Assistant Production Editor
Charles E. Merrill Books, Inc.
1300 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus 16, Ohio

Dear Miss Tilden:

Regrettably, we do not have available the photographs you request. We will, however, secure a copy of the official Georgia State Ballot and forward it to you shortly.

Recently, the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights issued a report, Political Participation, 1968 which contains a number of photographs similar to the ones you mentioned. I also understand that the Commission has a large number of other photographs on hand. I suspect you would find these readily available if you wrote to Mr. William L. Taylod, Staff Director, U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, 800-19th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

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June 25, 1968

Mr. O. T. Tooke, Chairman
Jefferson County Voter Education
Project
2402 Georgia Street
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Tooke:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Jefferson County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Jefferson County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00	
Secretary's Expenses @ $35.00 per week	280.00	
Six (6) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	720.00	
Transportation	350.00	
Office Rent	75.00	
Office Supplies	75.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Printing and Postage	50.00	
		$ 2,000.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:js

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Ben Grinage

June 25, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Nelson
P. O. Box 149
Marianna, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

I am returning another set of forms which were not consolidated from the reports of your field worker. Please consolidate these forms and return the consolidated form to me.

It is not necessary to send us the names of people you register, you might want to retain these lists for your own files.

I am also enclosing an additional supply of report forms, since your supply seems to have run out. Best of luck in the remainder of your drive,

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm
Enclosures

June 25, 1968

Mrs. Barbara Whitaker
Urban League
136 Marietta Street
Suite 242
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your most recent weekly report. As per our reporting requirements we will need the necessary supporting documents before your adcount can be reimbursed for the amount disbursed for petty cash. May we have this at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Enclosed is a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) weekly report forms for your weekly reports.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw
Enclosures

cc: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Weldon Rougeau

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cc: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Weldon Rougeau

June 25, 1968

Miss Carol Hartwig
Secretary
Committee on Voter Registration
303B Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Carol:

Thank you for the note about the new address.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 25, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

VEP 68-93

Dear John:

There is no need to detail for you the reporting requirements mentioned in Mr. Jordan's letter of May 24, 1968.

Congratulations on the NCVEP's past achievements. We hope the new year will be equally as good.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 25, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project

VEP 68-90

DEAR Jim:

In accordance with Mr. Jordan's letter of May 28, 1968, please send me a complete kit and a narrative report on the one day workshop held at Sumter. I know you have already sent us some of this material, but I need a complete set for the file.

As I told you in Sumter, I thought it was an excellent meeting. I am sure everyone attended benefited regardless of how they fared in the June 11th primary.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

VEP-
68-111

June 25, 1968

Mr. Ira Crutcher
President
Cross County Voters League
Route 1, Box 224
Colt, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Crutcher:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Cross County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in all of the wards in Wynne, Cross County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 27 to August 22, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a) Director's Expense @ $ 50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b) Secretary's Expense @ $ 25.00 per week	200.00
c) (5) Task Force Workers @ $ 15.00 per week	600.00
d) Transportation	250.00
e) Office Supplies	50.00
f) Office Rent	50.00

g) Telephone	$ 50.00
Total	$1,600.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Rev. Ben Grinage

June 26, 1968

Miss Sylvia Small
Bureau of Labor Statistics
U. S. Department of Labor
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Small:

Many thanks for the copy of BLS Report No. 332. I hope you find the information we sent you useful. If we can be of further service, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 26, 1968

Mr. Charles W. Shepard
One Peachtree Circle, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Mr. Shepard:

Having looked at the enclosed material, I am returning it to you in case you want it back. Thanks very much for taking the trouble to bring it by here to me.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm
Enclosure

June 26, 1968

Mr. Irving K. Kaler
Attorney at Law
Fulton Nat'l Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Irving:

Belatedly, let me say how much my wife and I enjoyed seeing you receive the B'nai B'rith award. Many thanks for inviting us. Tell Jonathan that Kennington says 'hello.'

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 26, 1968

Dr. Melvin H. Watson
Pastor
Liberty Baptist Church
395 Chamberlain Street, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30312

Dear Dr. Watson:

This letter comes in confirmation of my agreement to conduct a workshop for the Youth Division of the New Era State Congress on July 23, 24, and 25, at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia. Thank you for the invitation.

Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

June 26, 1968

Mr. Harold J. Roussel
Member
St. John The Baptist Parish
Democratic Executive Committee
Box 45-E
Edgard, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Roussel:

Mr. Paul Anthony, Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council has asked me to respond to you letter of June 3, in which you expressed an interest in furthering the ideals of the Council.

There are two ways of doing this: One would be to form a Council on Human Relations in St. John the Baptist Parish, the other would be to engage in some form of voter education activity. If you wish to pursue the former, the person to contact would be Mrs. Patricia B. Miller, Executive Director, Louisiana Council on Human Relations, 7986 Scenic Highway, Baton Rouge, La., 70807. In the case of the latter the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council has worked with the St. John Parish Voters League in promoting voter registration in the Parish. If you are desirous of contacting someone in that organization, to further its program, the person to contact is Mr. Chester Driver, St. John Parish Voters League, P. O. Box 295, Mount Airy, Louisiana.

I hope this satisfactorily answers your questions. If you should need more information, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

June 26, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
Director
NDEA Civics Institute
Post Office, Box 9222
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

Dear Jewel:

Thank you very much for sending me the material pertaining to the July 13th Workshop for Negro Elected Officials. Evidently you served a lot of scotch to Nils and Bill that evening you drafted the questionnaire, for I refuse to believe that such a high quality of work can be achieved in a state of sobriety.

I hope that all is going well with preparations for the Workshop. If there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Until July 13th, take care.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

June 26, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Your plans to sponsor a workshop for Negro Business and Professional People in August seems like a terrific idea. As requested, I am sending you copies of the programs of the conferences for public officials that VEP held in Louisiana, Mississippi and Atlanta, Georgia. I hope this material is helpful in the preparation of your program.

Hopefully, I'll be in North Carolina before too long.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm
Enclosures

June 26, 1968

Mr. Kenner M. Smathers
ABC Program
Duke University
03 Allen Building
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Kenner:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter that was mailed to the 1967 Stouffer Foundation Scholars, except Benjamin Crawley and Arthur Morrison. Also enclosed is a list of the names and addresses of the '67 Scholars.

I will be mailing to you, within the next few days, a program outline for the Quail Roost Conference. I welcome any comments and/or suggestions that you may have.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

Bc. Smathers

June 26, 1968

Mrs. Anne R. Forsyth
Anne C. Stouffer Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 10637
Salem Station
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27108

Dear Anne:

Reservations for you and Frank have been made at the Voyager Inn near Durham for July 19 and 20. Space at Quail Roost will be awfully tight because of the number of boys that we have. I hope the Voyager Inn is all right with you.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter that we mailed to the 1967 Stouffer Foundation Scholars on the Quail Roost conference. Letters were not mailed to Benjamin Crawley and Arthur B. Morrison.

I will forward you a copy of the program outline within the next day or so. Duke is doing an excellent job with the travel arrangements. So, for the moment, all seems to be going quite well. Best wishes to you and Frank.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
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522-8764

Name & address

June 26, 1968

Dear

The staff of the Voter Education Project feels that the Capahosic conference June 21-23 was the best such meeting yet. In large part, the success of the meeting was the result of the valuable contributions made by each person who attended the conference. We are most grateful to you for taking the time to come to Capahosic to meet with us.

We hope you will continue to guve us the benefit of your ideas, suggestions and thoughts in the future.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

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Secretary to the Director

June 26, 1968

Miss Virginia Carson
1202 Brooks Avenue
Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

Dear Miss Carson:

I sincerely regret that we do not have funds available to support the program you outlined in your letter of June 24th. The program itself sounds very valuable. Please let us know if we can be of any other help to your program.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 26, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

One comment in your letter of June 24th to Pat Miller confuses me. That is, "I assume there may be some applications for renewal, though as yet we have heard from neither S.R.C. nor any of the individual Councils."

I was under the impression that several of the Councils whom Field is currently supporting had applied for renewals. Does this statement indicate that you wish Councils to apply this year for continued support next year as you indicated during our last visit? Is this also your wish for SRC's general support?

More importantly, it was my understanding from a conversation of some months ago that you concluded you would rather Field give any and all support directly to the several state Councils, and that you did not wish to provide

SRC with a grant for that purpose for 1969. Do I understand this correctly?

Incidentally, Taconic was unable to provide the expected $25,000 for our 1968 grant-in-aid program. There is a slight possibility that they will be in a position to review this decision later in the year, but this does not look encouraging. We will meet our full commitment to the state Councils for the year, but unless Taconic comes through or unless there is some other unforeseen support, this will represent a $25,000 deficit on our part. We feel, however, it was important to end the year with the full level of support which had been earlier anticipated.

Sorry you were unable to be at Capahosic. We had, I think, an excellent meeting.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 26, 1968

Dr. Charles E. Goshen
Station B, Box 1729
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Dr. Goshen:

Thank you for letting us read your manuscript on the Characterological Deterrants to Economic Progress in People of Appalachia. I am sorry to say that it does not seem suitable for NEW SOUTH publication.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

Encl. - ms

June 26, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Les:

Finally found the attached. Let me know what you think of it and the Holloway thing.

Sorry we didn't get to talk at the march. I thought the turnout and the quality of people there were the hopeful things in a situation mostly devoid of hope.

I got word this week from the Rockefeller people that their advisory committee had approved my thing, and would recommend it to the board. Bob assures me that means I'll get it. I still don't believe the whole thing. I have tried to thank Bob and let him know how seriously I intend to try to make all his sticking out his neck not in vain -- but it is hard to get through all his laughing. Next time you see him, maybe you could let him know how deeply I do feel about what he has done.

You think there's any hope at all for McCarthy?

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

MEMORANDUM June 26, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony

You will be pleased to learn that the Advisory Committee in Imaginative Writing and Literary Scholarship of the Rockefeller Foundation has recommended to the trustees of the Foundation that Pat Watters be granted a twelve-month fellowship in the sum of $18,000 to allow him to pursue his writing on a full-time basis during the calendar year 1969.

If this grant is approved by the Trustees, as I am sure it will be, you will be asked at the September meeting to consider granting Pat a twelve-month leave of absence. While such an extended absence from his regular job will create a real problem for us, I am, nevertheless, delighted that Pat's work has received this recognition and that he will have this opportunity. I feel confident that in the long run the results of the year's absence will be extremely valuable for us as well as for Pat.

June 26, 1968

Mr. Gerald Freund
Associate Director
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Freund:

Mr. John H. Wheeler, President of the Council, has asked that I submit to you this official request for a grant of $18,000 in support of the work of Mr. Pat Watters for a period of 12 months, beginning January 1, 1969. We would be more than happy to administer this grant and plan tentatively, if the grant is received, to pay the sum to Mr. Watters in 24 equal instalments during the calendar year 1969.

Please know that we are deeply grateful to you and to the members of the Advisory Committee in Imaginative Writing and Literary

Scholarship. I am confident this grant will produce the results that you and the members of the Committee hope for.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. John H. Wheeler
Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
Mr. Pat Watters

June 26, 1968

Mr. C. Michael Curtis
The Atlantic Monthly
8 Arlington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mike:

I think the South Carolina primary results all too cruelly illustrate the disappointment and disillusioning effect of the Negro experience with his greatly increased voting power so far in the South. The success of the strenuous re-registration effort and the ensuing lack of success at the polls (only a handful of the 25 candidates for local office elected, none of the congressional or legislative ones) capsules the story southwide. Such experience helps explain the Negro alienation from the political process that seems much further advanced in the North than in the South, and it portends deterioration of faith in the process in the South. Some of the causes of the problem, if not the solutions, are implicit in the South Carolina experience.

I can send 2,100 words for the Report section by next week.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

MEMORANDUM June 27, 1968

To: Mr. Will Allred
Mr. John McCown
Co-Chairman, Association of State Directors

cc: All State Directors

From: Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
Chairman, Executive Committee, SRC

Three members from the Southern Regional Council Executive Committee have been asked to serve along with the three persons designated by the Association of State Directors on the special committee which will determine the status of state Councils relative to future SRC support. These three persons are:

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Durham, North Carolina

Dr. Vivian Henderson
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Frank Smith
Knoxville, Tennessee

Doctors Cook and Henderson have agreed to serve. Mr. Smith is out of town and has not yet had an opportunity to respond.

As soon as possible we hope to select a date when all members of the committee can meet in Atlanta. We also hope that this meeting can be set for sometime in July.

In the meantime, it occurs to me that it would be very helpful to have reactions from the several state directors on those items which they consider important in the Committee's determination of what constitutes a viable state Council. If you will send your comments to the SRC office they will be reproduced and sent to each member of the special committee.

I look forward to hearing from you and to receiving any suggestions or comments that you offer.

June 27, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

We are sending under separate cover the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Louisiana Council, as requested by you in our conversation yesterday. We are happy to co-operate in this way, once again, although neither the required monthly reports on finances and membership, quarterly report for the second quarter, nor a C.P.A. audit has been received.

It is very important, Pat, that we have all of these. Most especially important is the annual audit -- for the protection of yourself and your Council officers, as well as the SRC.

I trust that you will submit all of these items at your earliest convenience.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 27, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,500.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Louisiana Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
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June 27, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human
Relations
233½ North Greene Street, Room 4
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Regrettably, we simply do not have the funds for the program you request in your letter of June 18th. I, particularly, regret this because the program outlined seems to me the kind of thing we need more of and the kind of thing in which human relations councils certainly ought to be involed.

Incidentally, the Council never wishes for public credit for funds given and, generally, as a matter of policy, hopes that such a consideration would not be a part of any grant we were able to make.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mrs. Lorella M. Salazar
Post Office Box 636
Bernalillo, New Mexico 87004

Dear Mrs. Salazar:

I note with pleasure that Professor Witherspoon has asked you to serve on the steering group for our ad hoc committee to develop an intergroup relations council in the Southwest. I hope that you will do so, and that you can attend the meeting in Dallas on July 13-14.

If you desire an advance for travel to the meeting, please write a note to me at your earliest convenience, stating the amount desired. We will respond well before the date of the meeting.

I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. R. P. Sanchez
233 South 17th Street
McAllen, Texas 78501

Dear Mr. Sanchez:

I note with pleasure that Professor Witherspoon has asked you to serve on the steering group for our ad hoc committee to develop an intergroup relations council in the Southwest. I hope that you will do so, and that you can attend the meeting in Dallas on July 13-14.

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I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Clarence A. Laws
1725 Poplar Street
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Laws:

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

The Reverend C. William Black
Mt. Zion First Baptist Church
333 Nebraska
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mr. Black:

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

The Reverend Charles E. Sanders
Route 1
Stilwell, Oklahoma 74074

Dear Mr. Sanders

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Stuart Trapp
Post Office Box 791
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Vine Deloria, Jr.
2440 S. Monroe
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Deloria:

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June 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. William Canby
College of Law
Arizona State University
Tempe, Arizona 85281

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Mr. John B. White
Post Office Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

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ES/cl

June 28, 1968

Mr. Robert B. Zevin
Investment Management
430 West 250th Street
Riverdale, New York 10471

Dear Mr. Zevin:

Your letter and enclosures to Mr. John Lewis dated June 20, 1968 has been received.

Mr. Lewis is out of the office until the latter part of next week and he will be in touch with you upon his return.

I have taken the liberty of sending copies of the letter and enclosures to Mr. Ulmer who now resides outside the state.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Ruth P. Howard
Secretary to Mr. Lewis

June 28, 1968

Mr. Steven L. Isenberg
Office of the Mayor
Municipal Building
New York, New York 10007

Dear Mr. Isenberg:

Your letter and enclosure of June 21 to Mr. Lewis has been received.

Mr. Lewis will be out of the office for another week or so but will be in touch with you upon his return.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Ruth P. Howard
Secretary to Mr. Lewis

June 28, 1968

Mr. Robert Mants
353 North Harvey
Greenville, Mississippi 38701

Dear Mr. Mants:

Your letter and enclosure of June 18 to Mr. Lewis has been received.

Mr. Lewis is out of the office and probably will not return for another week or so, however, I'm sure he will be in touch with you to discuss this proposal immediately upon his return.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Ruth P. Howard
Secretary to Mr. Lewis

June 28, 1968

The Reverend Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,625.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Alabama Council on Human Relations for 1968.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 28, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $6,500.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid ($3,500) and our Rural Advancement Project grant ($3,000) for 1968 to the Georgia Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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June 28, 1968

Mr. A. Timothy Warnock
Anthropology Curriculum Project
Fain Hall
University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia 30601

Dear Mr. Warnock:

Under separate cover, I am sending you a copy of, "Know Your Georgia Government."

We do not keep voter registration figures for Atlanta. However, we do keep them by counties and by states. I am sending you these, and I hope they will prove satisfactory.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

June 28, 1968

Ms. Paula McGuire
Pantheon Books
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Ms. McGuire:

Thank you so very much for your letter. I am sure you know how much such encouragement means at this stage of things.

I will look forward to meeting you next time I am up there. And again -- well, just thanks.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

June 28, 1968

Clarion Ledger - Jackson Daily News
Mississippi Publishers Corps
P. O. Box 40
Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of the June 2, 1968 (Sunday) issue of your publication.

Ten cents is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl.

June 28, 1968

Mr. C. Michael Curtis
The Atlantic Monthly
8 Arlington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mike:

Here it is, want it or not. I ran over the word count, but there are plenty of places to cut.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

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June 28, 1968

The Reverend Henry J. Casso
210 St. Ann Street
San Antonio, Texas 78209

Dear Father Casso:

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Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

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June 28, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending June 30, 1968, for services rendered to Mrs. Geneva Collins.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

June 28, 1968

Mr. Eddie Davis
Weyanoke Post Office
Louisiana, 70787

Dear Mr. Davis:

Enclosed is a copy of the interview I conducted with you. As you can see, I have eliminated my questions from the interview, so your comments alone tell the story of your election campaign.

Let me apologize for taking so long to get this to you, and for asking you to return it to me so quickly. When you have checked the interview and made whatever corrections or additions you wish, I hope you will return it to me as quickly as you can.

I will make a final copy which will be checked to be sure there are no spelling mistakes or other errors.

I hope you can return it within ten days. I have enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelope for that purpose. If you have not returned it within ten days, I will assume that I can proceed with it as it is.

Could you also enclose a glossy photograph of yourself.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:nm
Enclosures

June 28, 1968

Mr. Peter Smith
P. O. Box 146
Sunset, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Mr. Elijah Coleman
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

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Let me thank you again for participating in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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June 28, 1968

Mr. James E. Boyd
Carroll County Voter Education Project
West Georgia College
Carrollton, Georgia

Dear Dr. Boyd:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Department of Continuing Education for a grant to conduct voter registration, citizenship education, and leadership training in Carroll County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,500.00 for a period of six months to run from July 1 to December 30, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six months subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's & Consultant's Expense	$ 2,650.00
b)	Office Supplies, materials	200.00
c)	Report	100.00
d)	Transportation	200.00
e)	Miscellaneous Cost	350.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of the deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. C. O. Johnson

June 28, 1968

Mrs. Etta K. Haynes
c/o Mr/ Ernest Morial
103 Cleaver Building
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mrs. Haynes:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending June 30, 1968, for services rendered Mr. Morial.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

June 28, 1968

Dr. Dante Germanotta
Route 1, Box 944-C
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Germanotta:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending June 30, 1968.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

June 29, 1968

Dr. John Corbett
Rockefeller For President
50 West 44th Street
New York, New York 10036

Dear Mr. Corbett:

Thank you for your letter of June 21st. It arrived while I was out of town. It will take some digging to provide the information you requested, but I will get some of it to you as soon as possible.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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KNOW YOUR NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNMENT

NORTH CAROLINA
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

— and —

THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT,
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

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INTRODUCTION

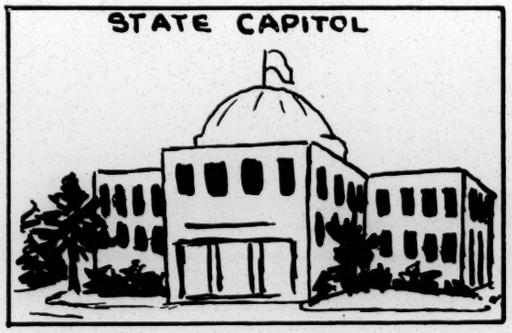
Voting power gives you a say-so in your city, county and state government. There is nothing secret about voting power. It comes about when you and others who share your views organize to get people to:

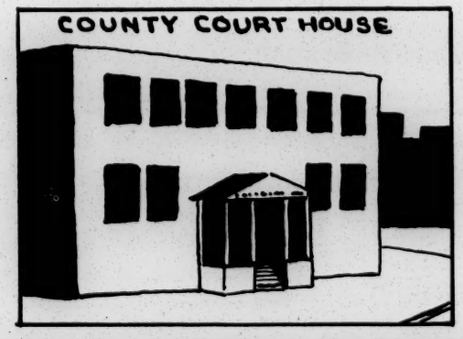
1. register to vote.
2. go to the polls on election day.

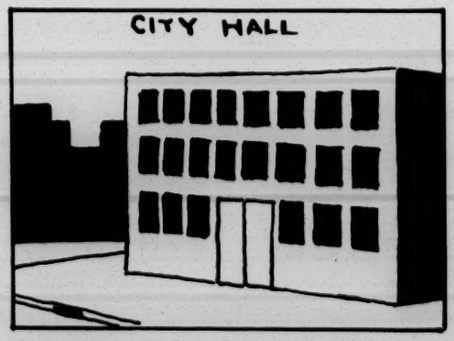
But to get voting power you must do more than just register and vote. You must learn and teach others how to use their voting power wisely. In order to use your voting power wisely, one of the things you need to know is how the government is set up.

This booklet explains some things about how government in North Carolina is set up. In North Carolina, as in other states, we have three kinds of government: city, county and state.

Everybody comes under the state government. It has more power than the other two. Everybody comes under a county government but only those people who live in a town or city come under city government.





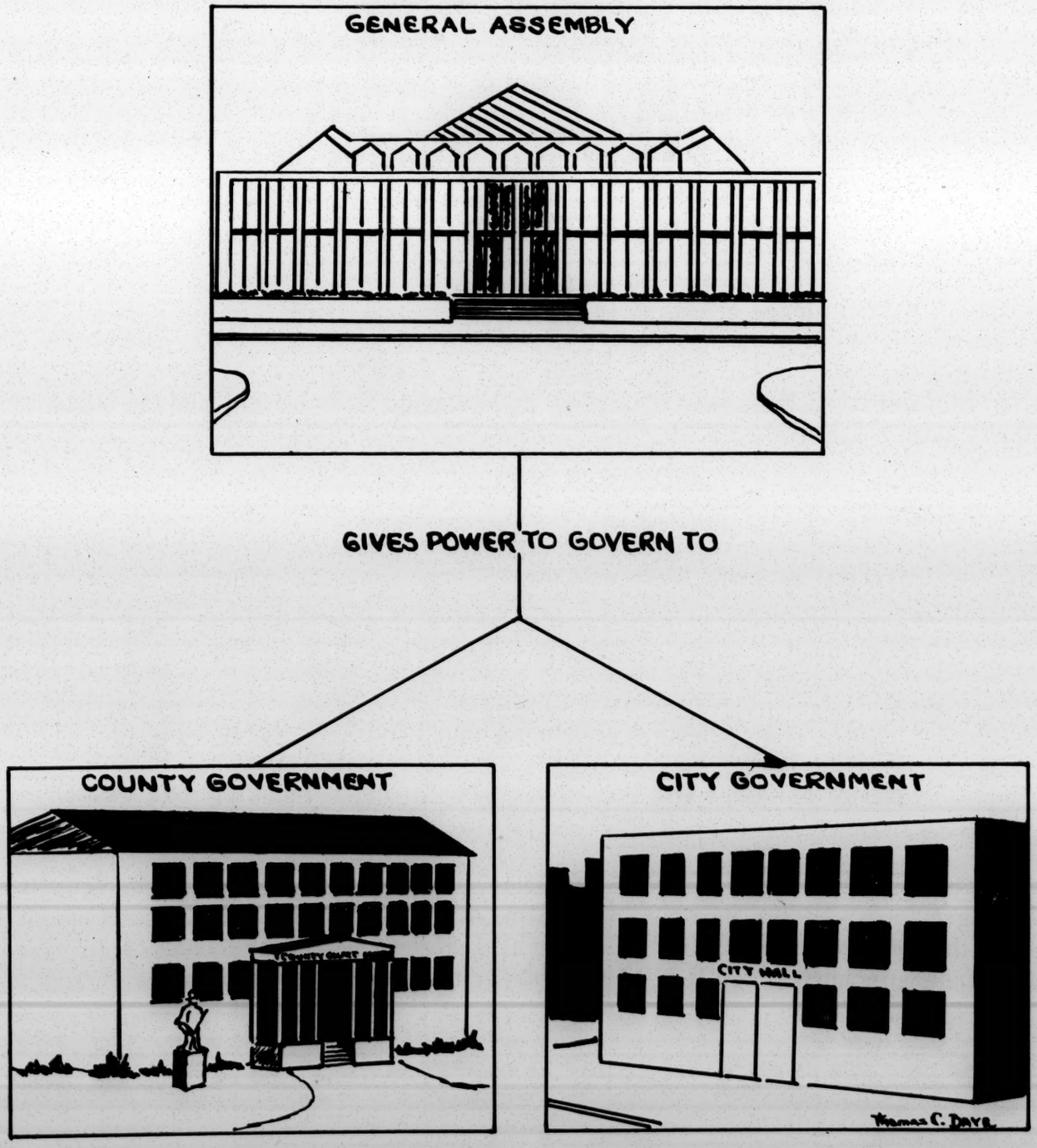


THOMAS C. DAYE

CITY AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS GET THEIR POWER FROM THE STATE GOVERNMENT

The General Assembly, the state law-making body which meets in Raleigh, governs the state with the help of the city and county governments and other governing bodies. The General Assembly tells the city and county governments what kinds of jobs they can do. It gives the local government the power to do these jobs.

The General Assembly does not give all the 100 county governments exactly the same jobs and power. This is also true for city governments. Some cities in North Carolina have more power than others..



CITY GOVERNMENT

Town and city governments are called municipal governments. The main job of municipal governments is to provide services to the people who live in the towns and cities. Another job is to protect the people. Some of the jobs of the municipal governments are to:

- Provide police and fire protection.
- Build and keep up the streets.
- Provide street lighting and sidewalks.
- Pick up garbage.
- Inspect buildings and houses to make sure they are safe.
- Build and maintain a water and sewage system and other public works, such as playgrounds, community centers, libraries and housing.
- Plan for the growth of the city.

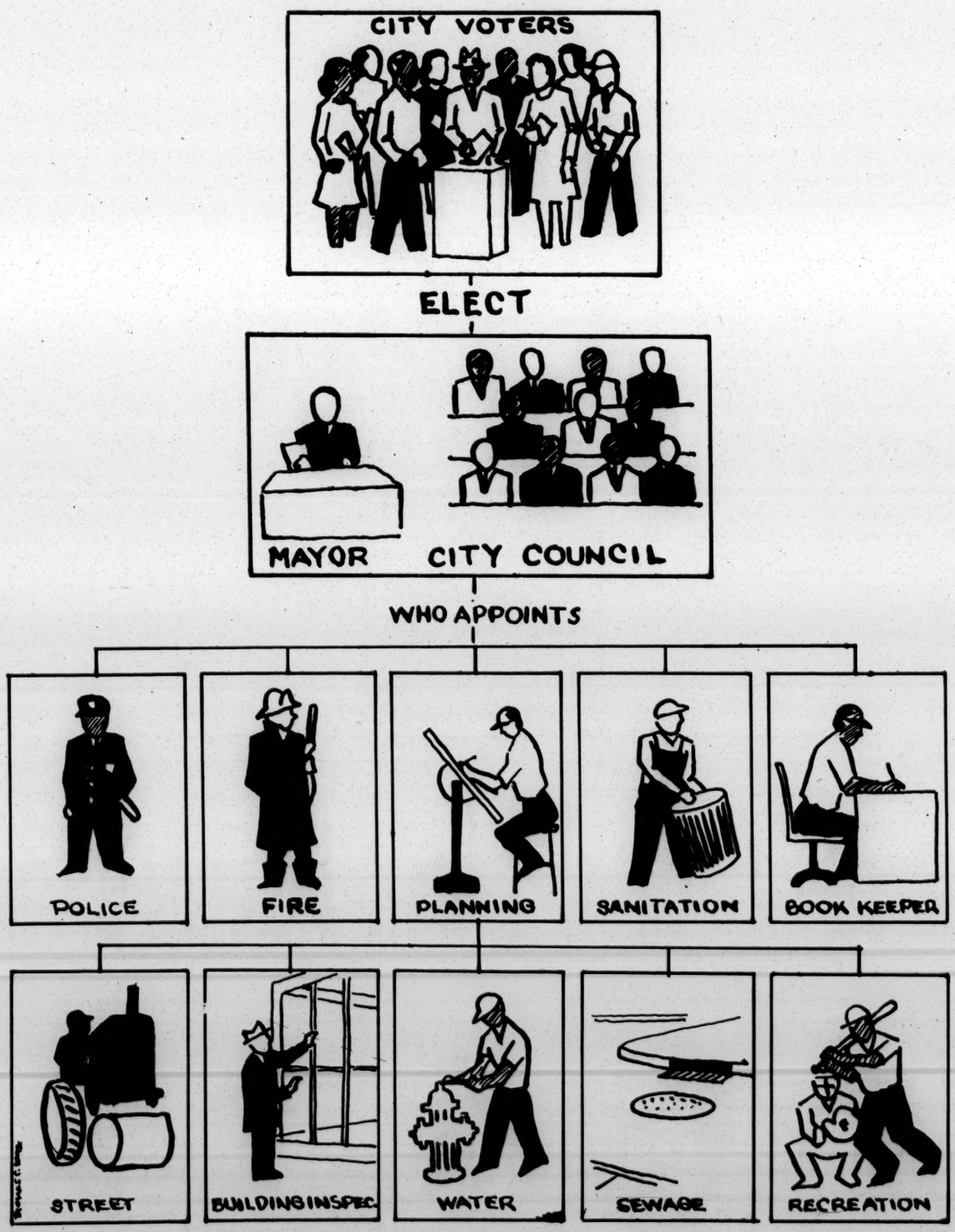
In order to do these jobs, municipal governments have certain powers. Some of these powers are to:

- Plan the spending of city money.
- Collect property taxes and other taxes.
- Appoint heads of departments, such as police chief, fire chief and head of water department, who, in turn, hire and fire other city workers.
- Pass ordinances (laws) about municipal affairs — local speed and parking laws, rules about garbage collection, rules about how and where buildings and houses can be built, and so on.

There are two major forms of municipal government in the state: the council-manager form and the mayor-council form. All cities with more than 10,000 people have the manager-council form. Most towns and cities with over 5,000 people have the manager-council form. Most of the smaller towns have the mayor-council form.

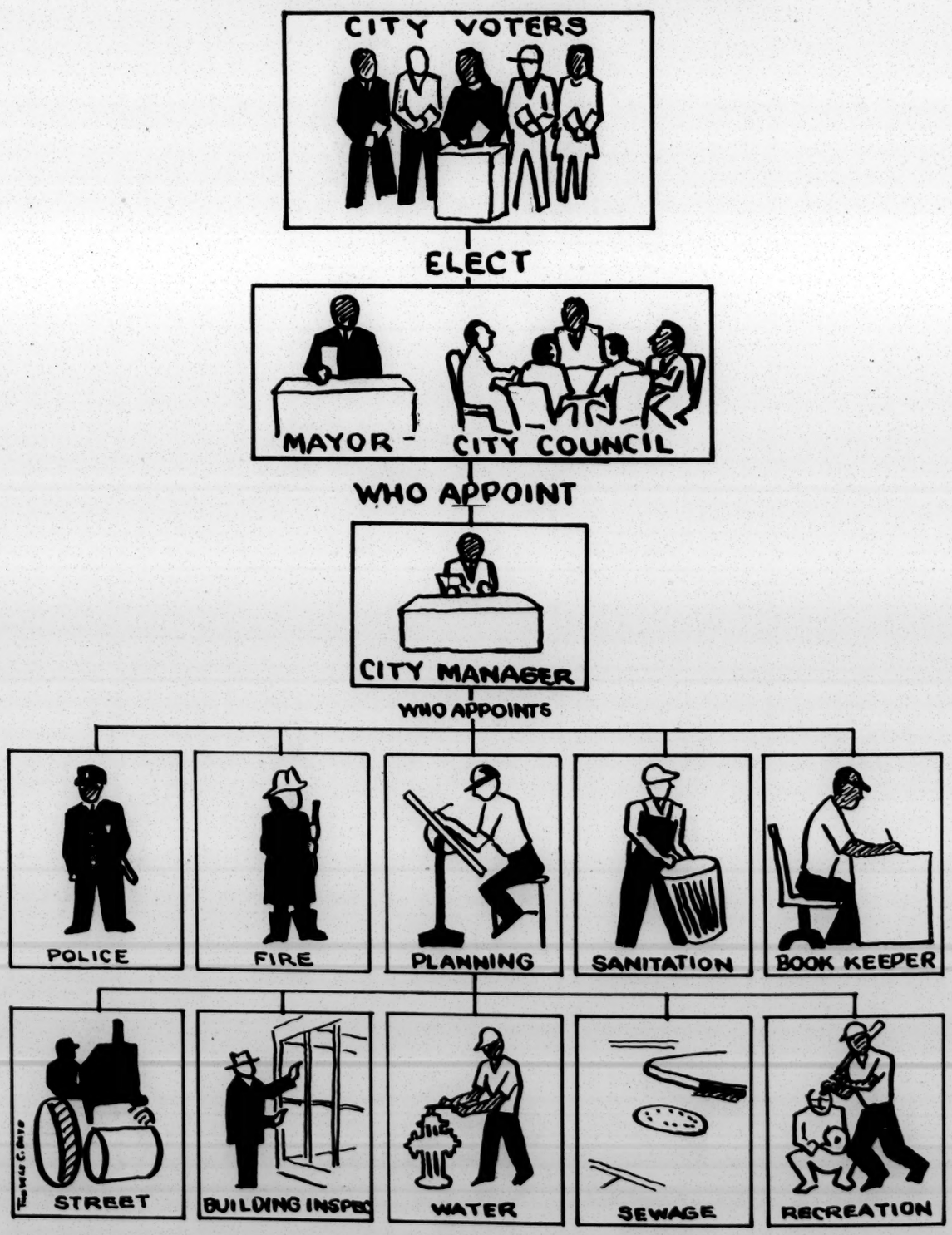
Under the mayor-council form, the voters elect a group of people to care for the city business. This group is called the City Councilmen (or City Commissioners or Aldermen). It makes city laws. The voters choose one man to head their municipal government. He is the Mayor. The job of running the government is divided into departments—fire, police, water, sewage, street, building inspection and garbage collection. An important officer is appointed to head and run each department.

MAYOR-COUNCIL FORM



Under the council-manager form of government, the voters elect a City Council (or City Commission or Board of Aldermen). One of the members of the City Council serves as Mayor. The Mayor can be elected by the voters, or the councilmen can appoint one of their members to serve as Mayor. The City Council makes up the budget and passes city laws. The City Council appoints a man to carry out the laws and to run the government from day to day. He is called the City Manager. Often he appoints the heads of the different departments. In some cities, the City Council may appoint some of the department heads.

COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM



The rules about electing the Mayor and Councilmen (or Commissioners or Aldermen) are not just alike in every city. Most of the municipal governing bodies are small They usually have five members.

Most municipal elections are non-partisan. This means that people do not run for office as a member of a political party. City officers usually are elected for a four-year term, but some are elected for two years.

City officers often are elected at-large—that is, by all the voters of the city. In some cities the voters of each ward (a voting district) elect a city officer. Other cities require that the officers be from the different wards but be voted on by the whole city at-large. In some cities both methods are used.

In some cities all the city officers are elected at the same time. In other cities, some of the city officers are elected in each election.

In most municipalities a person must register to vote on the city registration books. This is a separate set of books from the county voter registration books. But cities and counties may combine their voter registration books if they wish. Then a person registers only once in order to vote in all elections. Only a few cities and counties have combined their books.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT

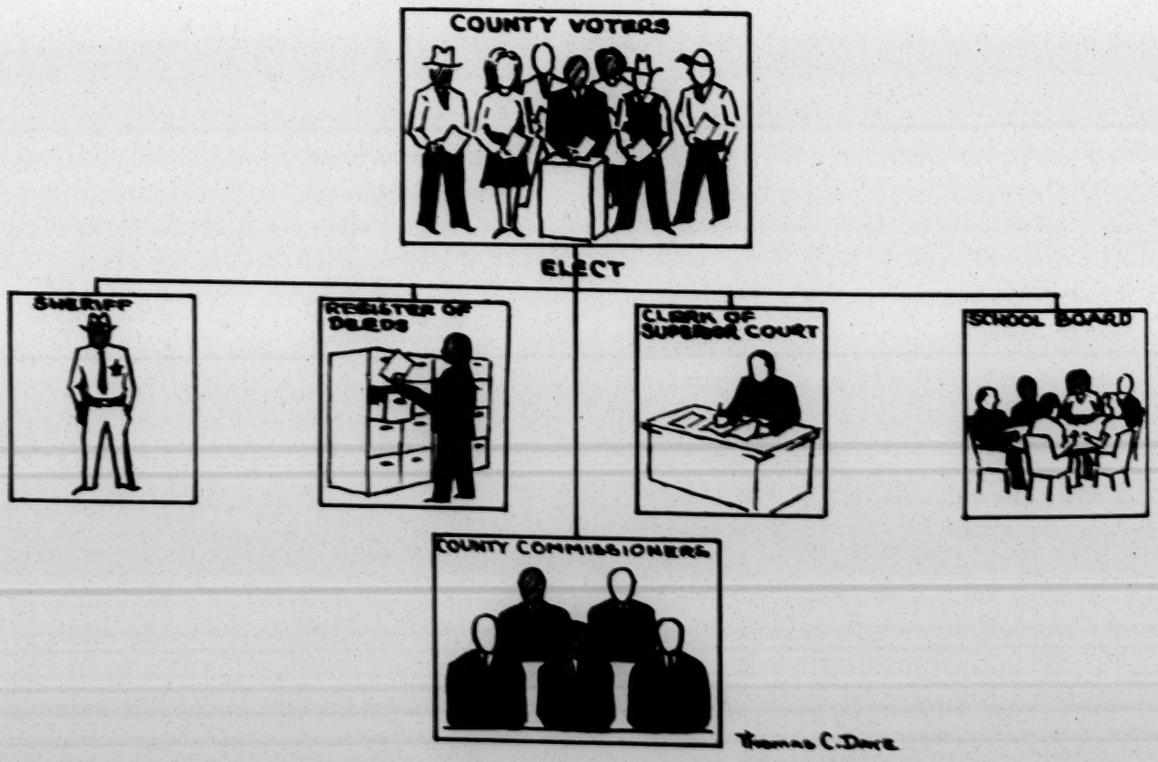
North Carolina has 100 counties. The main job of county goverment is to act for the state in providing services for the people—education, health, welfare and so on. Another important job of the county government is carrying out laws. County governments do not have much power to make laws.

Some of the jobs of the county government are to:

- Decide how much money is needed to give the people the services they need. The county government must then set the local tax rate and collect the taxes.
- Run the schools and the health and welfare departments with the help of the school, health and welfare boards.
- Build and keep up the courthouse, jail, other public buildings, such as libraries.
- Enforce state laws.
- Keep records of important papers, such as marriage licenses and deeds to property.
- Provide a place for some of the state courts.
- Help run the elections.

The job of running the county governments is divided between elected officials and persons who are appointed to offices and boards. Some of the elected officials are: County Commissioners, Sheriff, Register of Deeds, Clerk of Superior Court, and School Board. In some counties the County Accountant (Bookkeeper) and the Tax Collector are elected. In other counties they are appointed. Some of the other appointed officers and boards are: County Lawyer, Tax Supervisor, Welfare Board and Health Board.

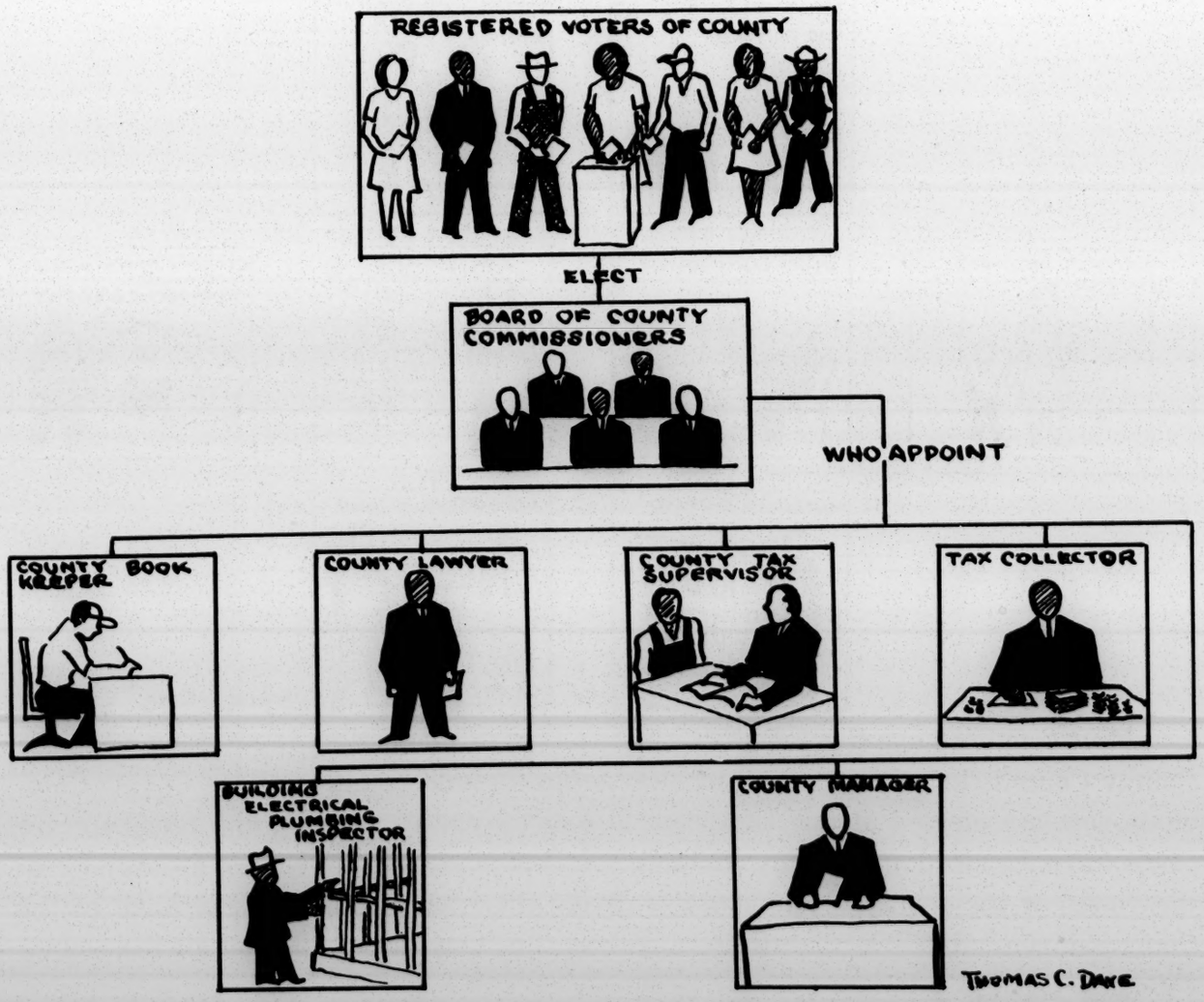
ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS



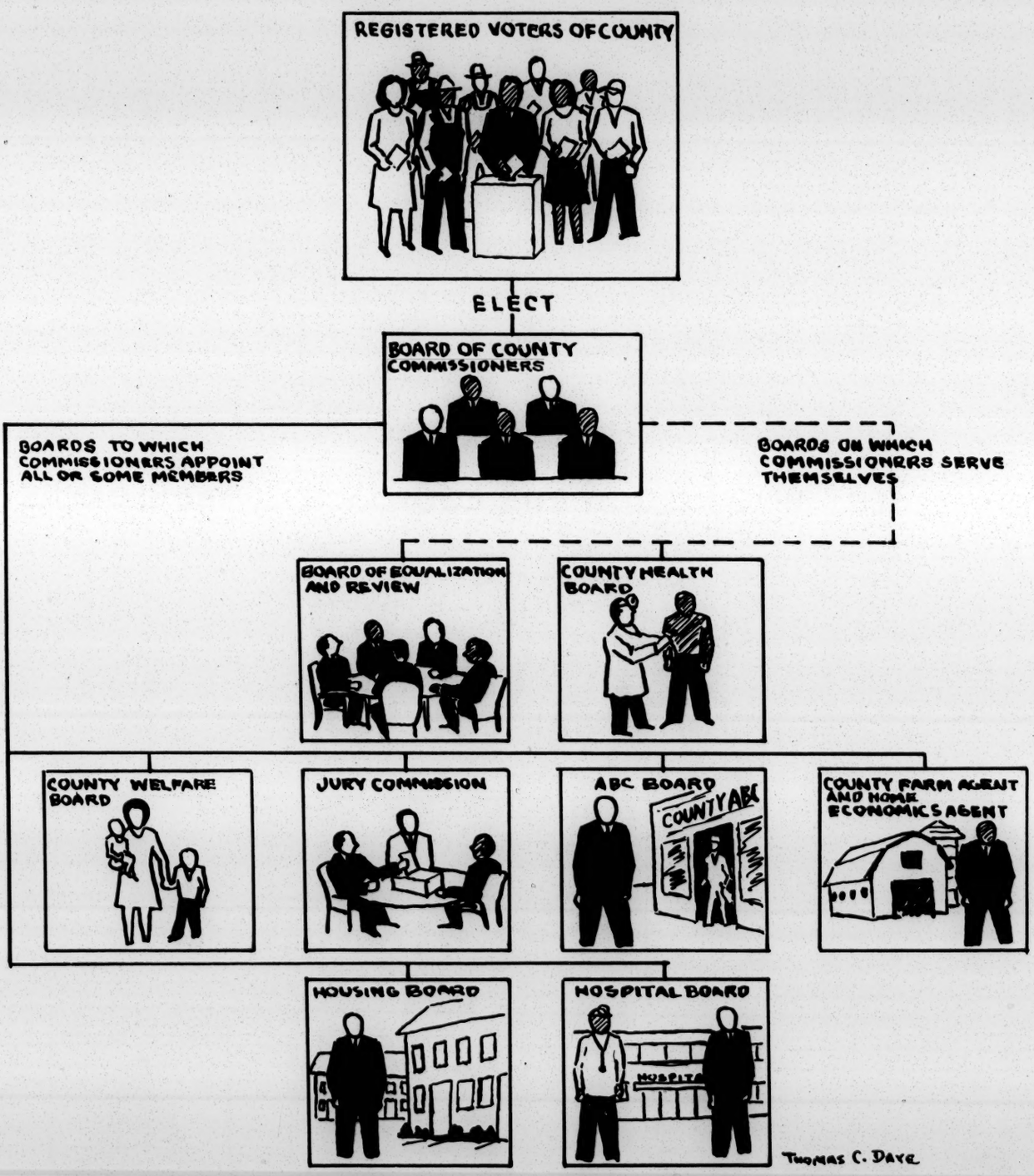
The County Commissioners have more say-so in running the county government than anyone else. They:

- Decide how much money is needed to run the county government and set the tax rate.
- Appoint other people to county jobs, such as County Lawyer, County Bookkeeper, County Tax Supervisor and Tax Collector, Building Inspectors. In some counties, they appoint a County Manager.
- Serve on some boards themselves. They serve on the board of Equalization and Review (which holds hearings about the tax value of property). One member serves on the County Health Board.
- Appoint people to other Boards, such as the County Welfare Board, ABC Board, Hospital and Housing Boards and Jury Commission.
- Have some power to start projects to help the people. They can do this by calling for a bond election to improve and build hospitals, schools, libraries, sewages and water systems.

OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



BOARDS ON WHICH COMMISSIONERS SERVE AND APPOINT MEMBERS



Most counties have five members on the County Commission. In most counties, the County Commissioners serve for four-year terms. In some counties, all the County Commissioners are elected at one time, but in many counties some of the members are elected in each election. In many counties, the Commissioners are elected at-large by all the voters of the county. Some counties divide the county into districts. Each of the Commissioners must live in a different district, but they are elected by all the county voters.

Some of the other elected county officials are:

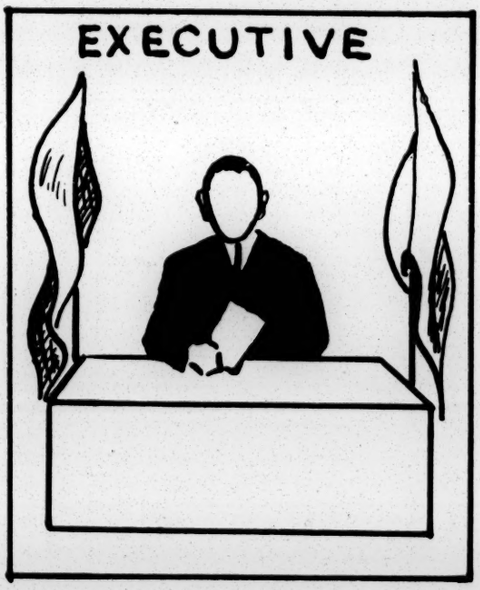
- Sheriff. His main job is to enforce state law.
- Register of Deeds. He keeps records of important papers.
- Clerk of Superior Courts. He keeps court records.
- School Board. This board runs the schools at the local level. The School Board—like the Welfare, Health, and other boards and officials—must present a budget to the County Commissioners each year. The County Commissioners may approve the budget or they may cut the budget. (Some cities have a City School Board, but the City School Boards also must present the city school budget to the County Commissioners for their approval.)

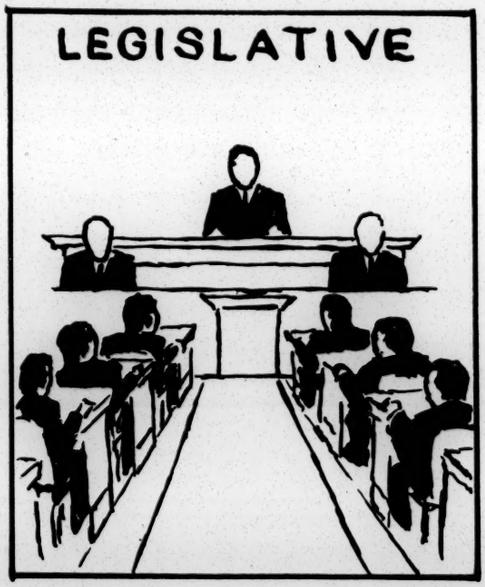
All the county officials, except for some county school boards, are elected in partisan elections. This means that people run for office as a member of a political party. County officials are elected in primary and general elections.

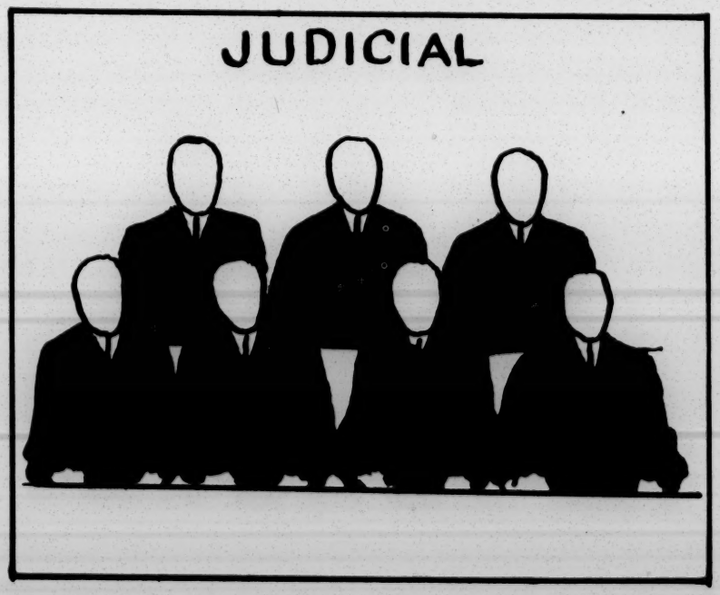
STATE GOVERNMENT

The state government is divided into three parts just like the United States government. The three parts are:

- Executive. This part is made up of the Governor, other elected officials and appointed officials and boards. The job of this branch is to run the government and enforce the laws.
- Legislative. This is the General Assembly which meets in Raleigh. This branch makes the laws about how the government is to be run.
- Judicial. This part is made up of the different courts of law. The job of this branch is to decide questions of law and help punish those who are proved guilty of crimes.







THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The job of the executive branch is to run the government and see that the laws are carried out. The Governor is head of the executive branch. The Governor has persons who help him do the work of the executive branch. Some of these people are appointed by him. Others are elected.

The Governor has a lot of power. He serves on many important boards himself. He appoints others to offices and boards. He tells the General Assembly (legislature) what laws he thinks are needed. He is the commander of the Highway Patrol and National Guard.

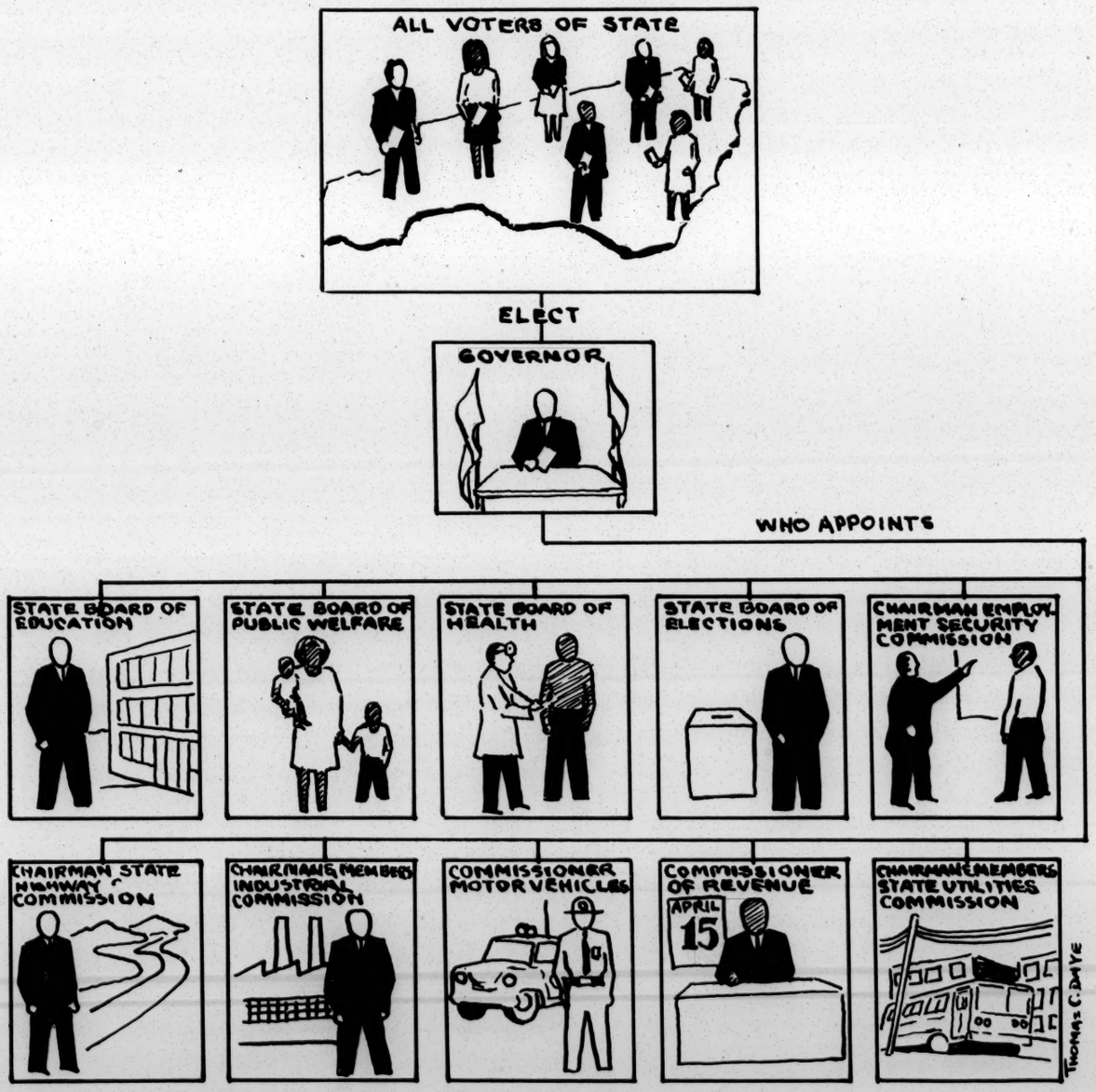
One of the most important powers of the Governor is the power to appoint people to state offices, boards, and commissions. Boards and commissions are a group of people given the orders and duty to do a certain job. This power to appoint people gives the Governor great power in the state government but also in the political party of which he is a member. People are willing to be loyal to the Governor and work for the party if they have a chance of getting jobs that pay well. The people appointed to these jobs and boards have a lot of power. They have a lot of say about how people live—whether they get good schools, highways, health care.

Some appointments made by the Governor are:

- State Board of Education. Most of the members of this board are appointed by the Governor. This board oversees the running of the public schools in the counties and cities. It decides such things as teacher requirements and salary scales.
- State Board of Public Welfare. The job of this board is to oversee the running of the welfare department at the state and county levels. This board hires a Commissioner of Public Welfare to run the State Department of Public Welfare.
- State Board of Health. The Governor and Medical Society of the state appoint the members of this board. The board hires the State Health Director. One of the jobs of this board is to enforce health laws.
- Chairman of the Employment Security Commission. A job of this commission is to run the employment offices in the state. It also has some say-so in who can get unemployment insurance.
- Chairman of the State Highway Commission. One of the jobs of this commission is to decide what highways and roads to build and repair and then to build and repair them.
- Chairman and Members of the Industrial Commission. The job of this commission is to run the workmen's compensation system.
- Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. He is head of the State Highway Patrol.
- Commissioner of Revenue. He collects state taxes.

- Chairman and Members of the State Utilities Commission. This board sets the rates that people have to pay companies for electricity, telephone, natural gas, and bus and railroad fares.
- State Board of Elections. The Governor appoints all the members of this board. This board hires an Executive Secretary. His job is to help see that voter registration and election laws are followed. The State Board appoints the members of the County Boards of Elections.

OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR



Another important power of the Governor is to help make the laws. The Governor tells the General Assembly what laws he thinks are needed. He also tells the General

Assembly how much he thinks it should cost to run the state government and how the money should be spent. The Governor can not veto (veto means forbid) laws passed by the General Assembly. But because he has something to say about the budget and can make many appointments, he still has a lot of power with the General Assembly.

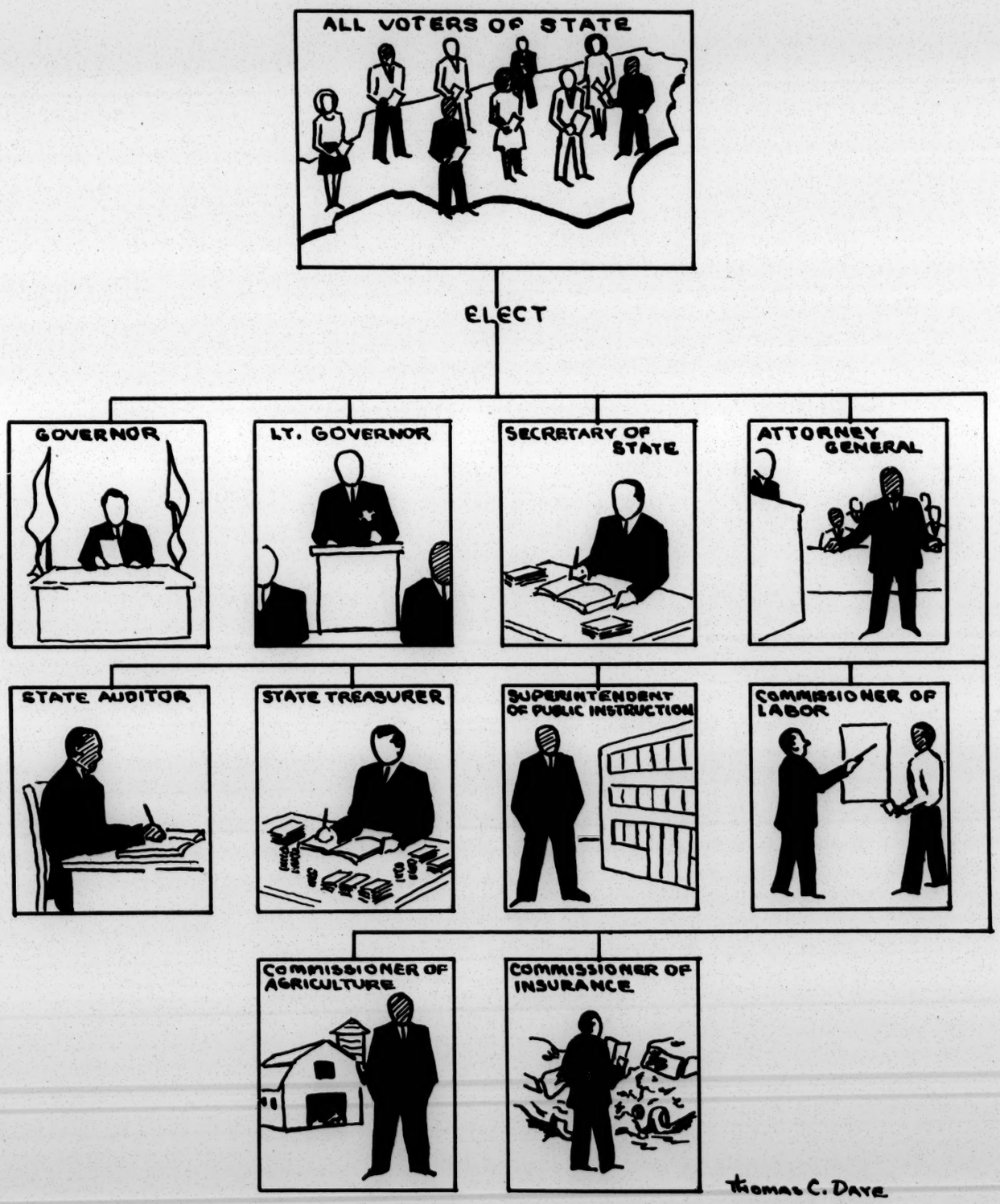
The Governor may call a special session of the General Assembly. He can do this when he thinks there is some important matter the General Assembly must take up.

As we said earlier, some executive officers of the state are elected. The elected officers are:

- Lieutenant Governor. Sometimes the Governor is not able to serve all of his term of office. Then the Lieutenant Governor takes the place of the Governor. The Lieutenant Governor presides over the State Senate.
- Secretary of State. He keeps the records of the state. He has state laws printed. He helps carry out elections in the state.
- Attorney General. He is the chief lawyer of the state. He advises the Governor and other state officials about state laws. He represents the state in the courts.
- State Auditor. He is the state bookkeeper. He looks at the public bills of the state. If he feels bills are right, he asks the Treasurer to pay them.
- State Treasurer. He takes care of fees and taxes that come to the state. He pays all the bills of the state.
- Superintendent of Public Instruction. He works with the schools of the state. Some of his jobs are to help the schools have better education programs and to see that state school laws are obeyed.
- Commissioner of Labor. He is head of the Department of Labor. Some of the jobs of this department are to enforce child labor laws and minimum wage and hour laws, settle strikes, and help train workers for better jobs.
- Commissioner of Insurance. He is head of the Department of Insurance. Some of the jobs of this department are to make sure that the insurance companies have the money to pay claims and to see that the companies do not charge too much for insurance policies.
- Commissioner of Agriculture. He is head of the Department of Agriculture. The job of this department is to see that laws having to do with farming are carried out.

The Governor and the other executive officers are elected in primary and general elections. The executive officers are elected every four years in even numbered years, like 1968, 1972 and 1976.

ELECTED EXECUTIVE OFFICIALS



THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The law-making body of the state government is the General Assembly. The General Assembly has the power to make many kinds of laws.

The General Assembly can make laws about money matters. It can make laws about how much and what kind of taxes people and companies have to pay. It can decide how much of the tax money the different departments—education, health, welfare, highways, prisons and so on—will get.

The General Assembly can make laws about companies that do business in the state. For example, it can require that the companies pay their workers a certain minimum wage. It can pass laws that make it easy or hard for workers to join unions. The General Assembly can pass laws to start new projects that will give people jobs and help people live better. It can pass laws so that the state and local governments can take part in the many federal (U. S. Government) programs that will help the people.

The General Assembly of North Carolina is made up of two parts: the State Senate and the State House of Representatives. The Senate has 50 members and the House 120 members. The General Assembly meets in Raleigh every odd-numbered year, like 1969, 1971, 1973.

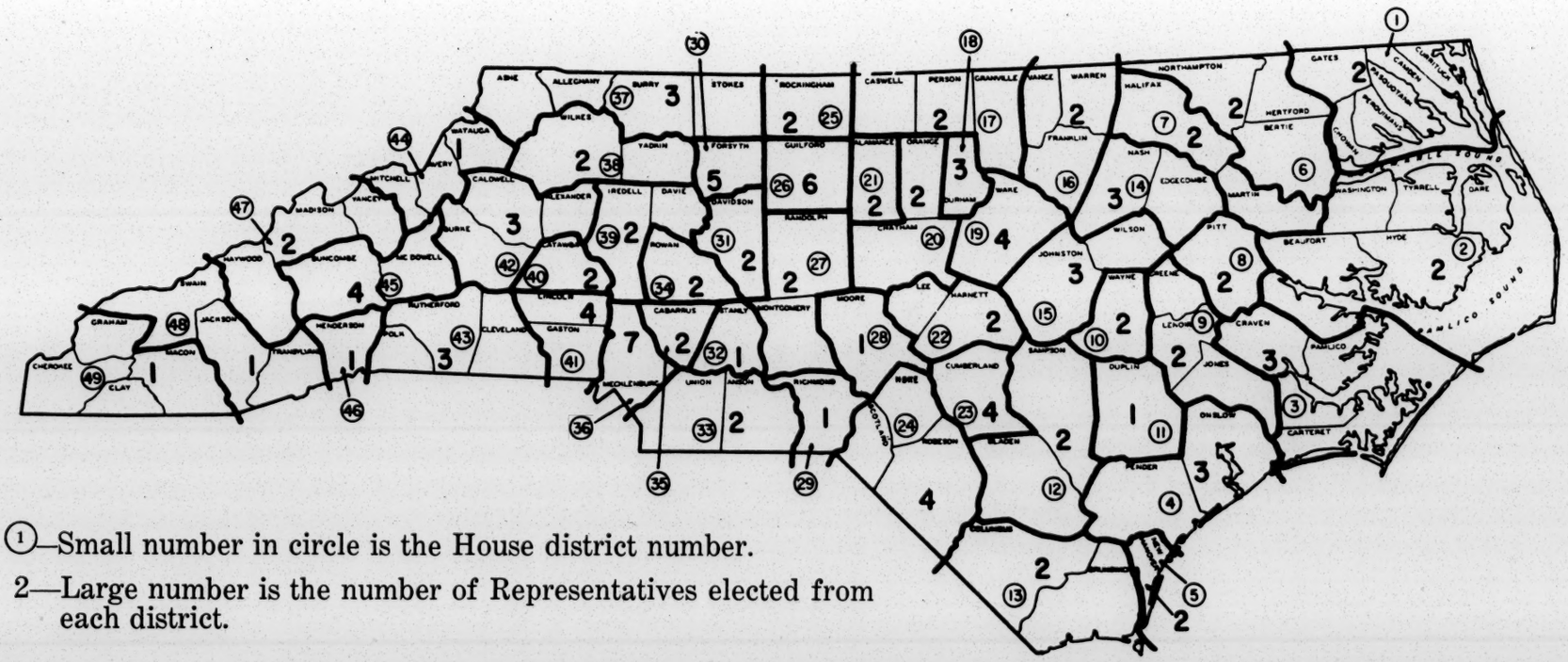
Members of the General Assembly are elected in primary elections (in May) and general elections (in November) just like the executive officers are elected. They are elected every even-numbered year, like 1968, 1970, 1972, for two-year terms.

The state is divided into Senatorial and House of Representative districts. Members of the Senate and House are elected by the voters in each district. Every district is made up of one or more whole counties. Some districts have only one county. Many districts have two or more counties. Some districts elect only one member. Others elect two or more members.

Look at the maps on the next two pages to see in which Senatorial and House District your county is located.

NORTH CAROLINA

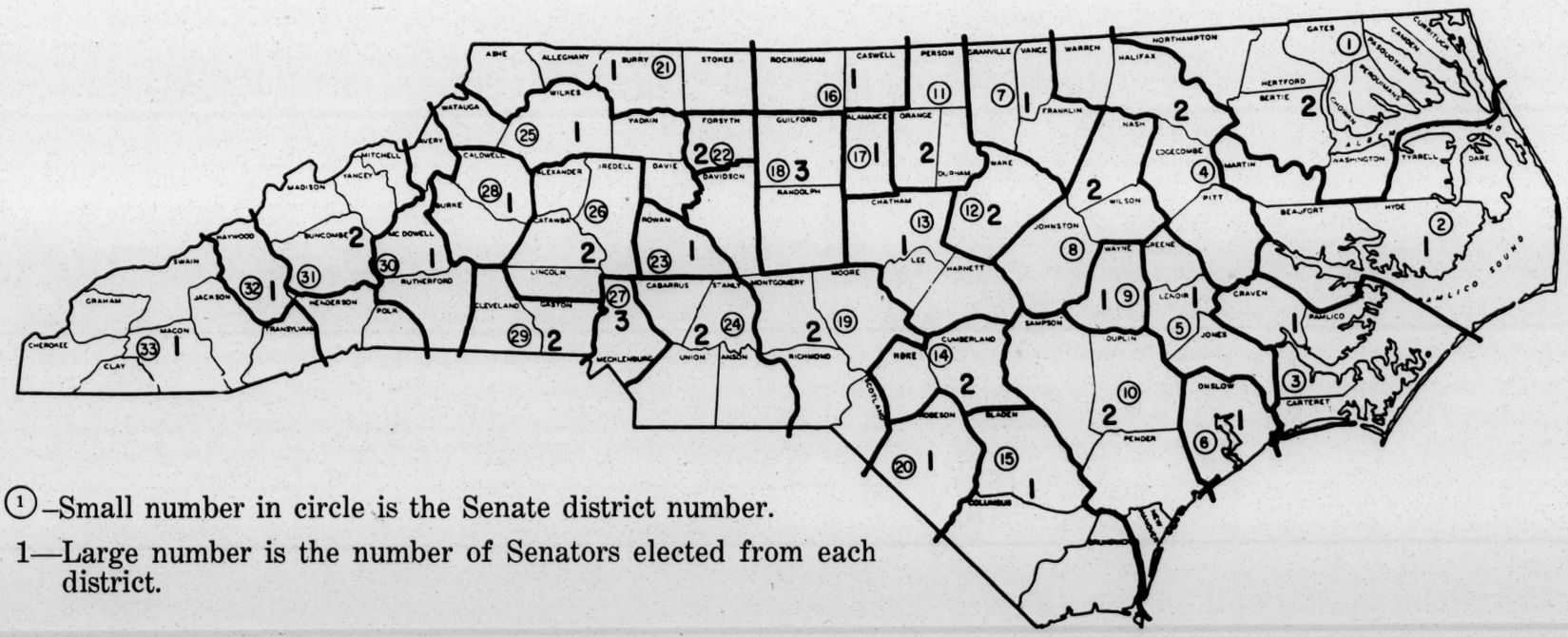
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



(1)—Small number in circle is the House district number.

2—Large number is the number of Representatives elected from each district.

NORTH CAROLINA SENATE



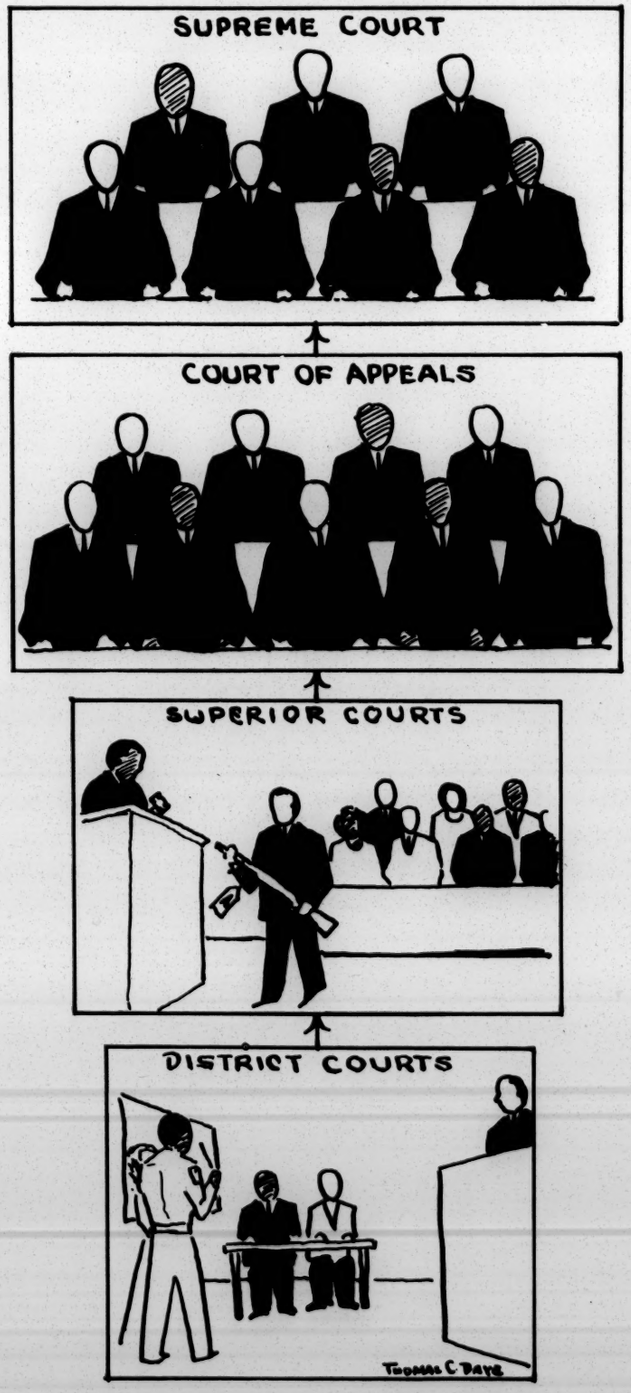
(1)—Small number in circle is the Senate district number.

1—Large number is the number of Senators elected from each district.

COURTS AND JURY SYSTEM

The state has a system of law courts. It is called the judicial branch of the government. In 1962 and 1965, the state system of courts was changed. This was done so that there would be the same system throughout the state. It will be late 1970 before all the changes are made. Under the new system there will be three kinds of courts: the Appeal Courts, Superior Courts and District Courts.

COURT SYSTEM



The Appeal Courts

This is the highest level of courts. One job of the Appeal Courts is to hear appeals from the lower courts—the Superior and District Courts. If a person does not believe he has been given a fair trial in the lower courts, he may appeal his case. Another job of the appeal courts is to decide if laws are in agreement with the North Carolina Constitution.

There are two kinds of appeal courts. They are the North Carolina Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals. The North Carolina Supreme Court is the highest state court. It has seven justices. The justices are elected by all the state voters for eight-year terms.

The Court of Appeals was set up in 1967 to help the North Carolina Supreme Court. It does this by hearing the less important cases. This court will have nine judges. Six took office in 1967 and the other three will take office in 1969. All nine judges will be elected by the state voters. They serve for eight-year terms.

In appeals courts there are no jury trials.

The Superior Courts

One important job of the Superior Courts is to try the more serious criminal and civil cases. Criminal cases are cases in which a person breaks a law that protects people —robbery, murder, and the like. Civil cases are when two or more persons cannot agree about something, such as who owns a car, land, or furniture. Cases are tried by juries in the Superior Court.

The state is divided into 30 judicial districts. In nearly all the judicial districts, there are two or more counties. Each of the 30 judicial districts has a Superior Court. Each district has one or more Superior Court Judges. The Judges are nominated in primaries by the voters of each district. They are elected in general elections for eight-year terms by all the voters of the state. Also there are eight Special Superior Court Judges. They are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms.

The state lawyer who represents the state in criminal cases is called the Superior Court Solicitor. He is elected by the voters of his district for a four-year term. There will be a Solicitor in each of the 30 judicial districts when the new system is complete.

Look at the map on page 22 to see in which judicial district your county is located.

The District Courts

The District Court system is being set up to do away with the many different kinds of courts at the local level—recorder's court, juvenile court, mayor's court, justice of peace court. By December 1970 there will only be one court at the local level: the District Court. The job of the District Court is to try the less serious criminal cases such as traffic violations. It also tries the less important civil cases—cases involving less than $5,000 of property.

In most trials in the District Court there is no jury. But in some cases a person can request a jury trial. Also if a person does not believe he has been given a fair trial, he can appeal his case to the Superior Court.

Each of the state's 30 judicial districts has a District Court as well as a Superior Court. The voters of each district elect the District Court Judges that hold court in their district. The Judges serve for four-year terms. Each district has from two to six Judges.

Each county has a magistrate. The magistrates assist the District Court Judges by issuing warrants, setting bail, and accepting pleas of guilty in certain traffic cases. In short, they replace the job now done by the justices of peace. Magistrates for each county are appointed by the Superior Court Judge of each judicial district.

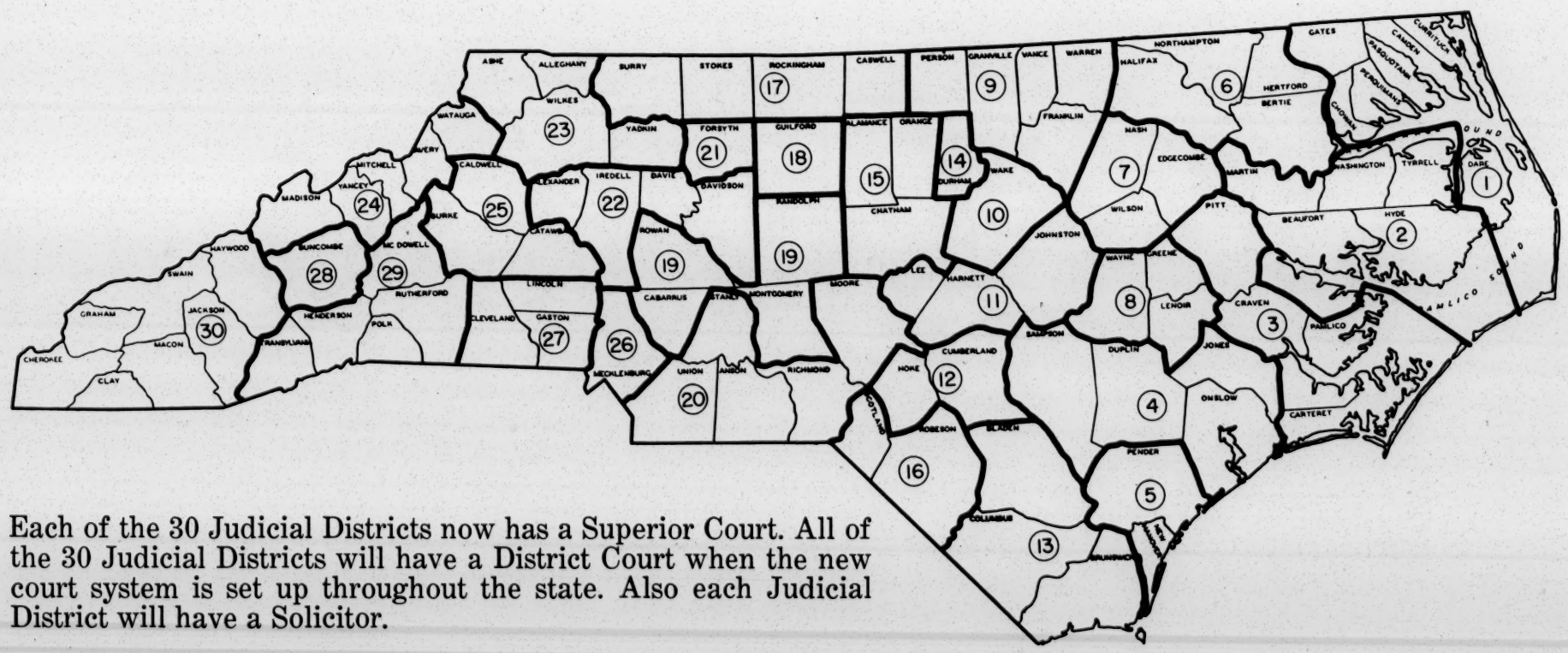
Look at the map on page 23 to see when the District Court is set up in your county.

Jury System

Another new law about the court system was passed in 1967. The new law sets up a Jury Commission for each county. The Jury Commission has three members. One member is appointed by the Superior Court Judge, another by the Clerk of Superior Court, and the other by the County Commissioners.

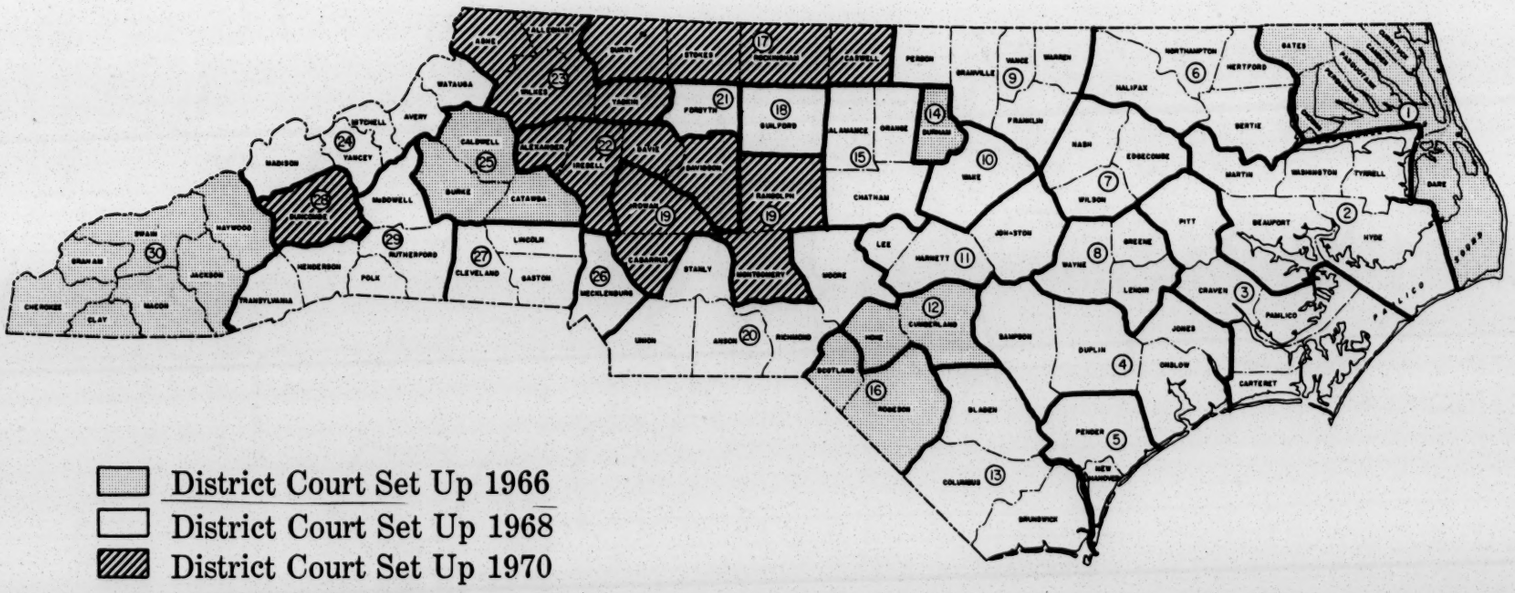
The job of Jury Commissioners is to choose people who might serve on juries. They make up the list of people to serve by using the tax lists and voter registration lists.

NORTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL DISTRICTS



Each of the 30 Judicial Districts now has a Superior Court. All of the 30 Judicial Districts will have a District Court when the new court system is set up throughout the state. Also each Judicial District will have a Solicitor.

WHEN THE DISTRICT COURTS ARE BEING SET UP



CONCLUSION

This booklet doesn't tell you all you need to know about government in North Carolina. To do that would take a booklet many times this size. But we hope it does tell you some of the important things you need to know.

There are other booklets that can tell you more about certain parts of your local government. These are booklets, pretty much like this one, written by the North Carolina Voter Education Project. These booklets are about school boards, county commissions, voter registration, election rights, and precinct meetings. Other booklets like these are being written. If you would like copies of these booklets get in touch with:

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Telephone: (919) 682-1222

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July 1, 1968

Mr. Paul Good
12 Pennoyer Street
Rowayton, Connecticut 06853

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is the Assignment of Copyright, along with an extra copy, should you need it.

We have mailed the original to the Register of Copyrights today. Sorry to have taken so long with this.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js
Encls.

July 1, 1968

Mr. Andre Schiffrin
Pantheon Books
22 East 51st Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Andre:

As it turned out, I didn't get to New York after all. I will probably be up there later in the summer, and will holler. I did get to the poor people's march in Washington, a generally depressing affair.

I am working, and hope to send you some more shortly. I was much encouraged by a letter from Miss (Mrs.?) McGuire there; it was an extraordinarily nice thing for her to do.

The Rockefeller people have notified me that their evaluation committee approved my thing for next year, and that seems to mean that the board will. I still don't quite believe it all. Anyhow, I want to say thank you for your part in it.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Reading file

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

July 1, 1968

Mrs. Genevia Kissel
Sales & Catering Manager
Executive Inn
3232 West Mockingbird Lane
Dallas, Texas 75235

Dear Mrs. Kissel:

Thank you for confirmation, in your letter of June 26, of our accomodations for July 13 and 14.

If possible, we would like to have our conference room set up with a large table, so that our group of about a dozen could all be seated around it. A blackboard would also be useful.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

cc: Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon

July 1, 1968

Dr. Emory F. Via
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Emory:

Thanks for the comments on your project. They are very helpful.

I am very sorry I missed you and Margaret over the weekend. Hope you had some luck.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 1, 1968

Mr. John G. Simon
President
Taconic Foundation, Inc.
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

This will acknowledge with our most grateful appreciation the Foundation's contribution of $25,000 toward support of the Council's general operations.

We shall, of course, provide the Foundation with periodic program and financial reports on the use of these funds.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

July 1, 1968

Mr. William Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Bill:

Have you any knowledge of the situation described in the attached article? Are any of the Negro GOPers involved in the La. VEP? Have you been of any assistance to them in their legitimate protest.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

July 1, 1968

Mr. C. R. Miller
Atlanta District Manager
Avis Truck Rental
901 Chattahoochee Avenue, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Mr. Miller:

On Saturday, June 29, 1968 at approximately 9:30 p.m., I returned a truck I had rented from Avis on the previous evening. To my alarm, the clerk (or manager) in charge, was very perturbed by my appearance at the office door at that time. Upon entering the office I asked if Avis was closed and he answered, "yes, we're closed," in a very bousque and abusive manner. I told him that the office hours painted on the office door indicated that Avis was open until 11:00 p.m., Monday thru Saturday. He yielded on that point and apologized only after we had exchanged several heated words.

I must admit that I was taken aback by the attitude of the Avis clerk; I am not accustomed to being talked to in the manner in which he talked to me. And I do

believe a customer can be apprised of Avis policy without being the victim of bousqueness and verbal abuse.

I am willing to forget the altercation with your employee but in doing so I ask only one thing of you: please correct the office hours painted on your office door. After all, if I had seen that 9:00 p.m. was closing time on Saturday, I would have turned around and returned on Monday morning.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

CC: Mr. Tom Morrow, President
Avis Rental System
P.O. Box 201
900 Old Country Road
Garden City, New York 11530

FIELD REPORT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT TONY DUNBAR
BIRMINGHAM AND MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
7/1/68, 7/2/68

7/1/68

I flew into Birmingham late Monday morning and went to the office of W.C. Patton, Associate Director of the NAACP Voter Registration Project, to visit him and the VEP intern, Laraine Alexander.

Patton and I discussed the scope of the NAACP registration activities, and the impact of Negro voter registration in Alabama. He pointed out that the 80% of the Negro vote in Dallas County claimed by Lurleen Wallace was actually a vote directed against Selma's Jim Clark. Voting the straight Democratic ticket was at the time considered the best strategy.

Laraine Alexander wraps and mails out packages of NAACP registration material in Patton's office. Patton said that she works hard. I am not very happy having one of our interns employed in this way, but Laraine will soon be dividing her time between the office and working with the NAACP registration drive in Birmingham, scheduled to begin on about July 8th. I have just received a report from Laraine indicating that the campaign may not start for another week. If it does not start soon, I would like to move her to another area. When the drive does begin, she may be the supervisor for a group of canvassers, and may possibly work in her home town, Bessemer.

Laraine is satisfied with what she is doing. I will be more satisfied after I hear about her work in the registration drive.

Monday evening, I drove down to Montgomery.

7/2/68

On Tuesday morning, I went to the Alabama NAACP office which is the headquarters for the Montgomery voter project to meet Sylvia Murrell, our intern. She is working very hard. During the day, she is the project's secretary, and in the evening, she goes out to knock on doors. She is content with her job and would like to remain in Montgomery for the summer.

Mr. Pringle, Director of the Montgomery County registration drive, came to the office, and I talked with him for about an hour. He was very unhappy with the progress of the Montgomery VEP project, which should run for about three more weeks. He said that there had been a long-standing registration organization in nearly all of the 22 precincts in Montgomery Co. The VEP grant,

coming after the books had closed for the primary (It was never made quite clear to me what primary this was.) and after Federal Registrars had stopped work, and being only lage enough to give token payment to a few of the workers and make the rest jealous, served mainly to disrupt the county organization. Pringle said that he wished he had never requested the grant and likely would not request a renewal.

Pringle said that in five of the eight precincts within the city of Montgomery, there are capable people working on registration. Leadership has yet to be developed in the other three, and the few people at work in the rural precincts have stopped work as a result of the friction caused by the VEP grant. Pringle hopes to register about 200 before November or 2000 if Federal Registers return. There are 14,000 Negroes yet to be registered in the county. Pringle says that even if they cannot get 200 more people in the remaining three weeks, at least the campaign will have served to compile a list of all those who have not registered. I do not like to criticize people who have suffered as much as the Montgomery community, but their registration drive does not seem to have gotten, or be going, anywhere.

I ate dinner with John Buskie, Chairman of the campaign. He told me much the same things that Pringle had, but he suggested that the project would request a renewal of our grant. So far, he said, they have worked East and West Montgomery, which leaves the North side of town, and the rural areas still to go. He requested that, if possible a VEP grant be approved subject to the return of Federal Registrars. When they do come back, he would like to have money readily available to run a crash program. He was not so optimistic as Pringle xhx about the effects of Federal Registrars. With their help, Buskie imagines that as many as 400 voters may be added to the rolls.

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In the evening, Pringle drove me around Montgomery's slums. I have never seen worse in a city that size. The police, Pringle said, are afraid to cruise Nonth Montgomery at night.

Tuesday night, I attended and spoke at a "Tri-Precinct" meeting in Montgomery. There were about 20 people there, and they mainly discussed NAACP business. The meeting was handled very efficiently, and they seemed to be planning a number of very promising projects. I cannot understand why they were unable to organize a more sucessful registration effort.

Late Tuesday, I flew back to Atlanta.

VEP 68-116

July 2, 1968

Mr. Horace C. Bynum
President
New Orleans Branch, NAACP
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mr. Bynum:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the New Orleans Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in New Orleans, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from July 1 to August 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	280.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		425.00
Office Supplies		75.00
Telephone		50.00
Printing and Postage		50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: Nils Douglas
William Samuel

July 2, 1968

Miss Mary Louise Frampton
Legal Rights
U. S. National Student Association
2115 "S" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Miss Frampton:

Under separate cover we have sent you several pieces of information about the Council. By all means do keep the Orangeburg Report. I am happy you found it useful.

Do call on us at any time.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 2, 1968

Mr. D. John Heyman
President
New York Foundation, Inc.
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

This will acknowledge with our grateful appreciation the Foundation's grant of $5,000 toward our program of developing facilities and training in the media for young adults in Mississippi.

As you will see from the enclosed, at the request of Miss Doris Derby we are today making a grant of $2,500 to Southern Media, Inc.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 2, 1968

Miss Doris Derby
Southern Media, Inc.
117 West Church Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Miss Derby:

We are pleased to enclose our check for $2,500 in support of your program in making educational and training films.

As you indicate, no portion of these funds can be used in violation of Section 502(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

An additional $2,500 will be available shortly after November 1, 1968.

In addition to the regular reporting, I, personally, would be very grateful if you would keep me informed of your work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 2, 1968

Professor J. Edwin Carothers
1400 Greenwood Drive
Ruston, Louisiana 71270

Dear Professor Carothers:

Under separate cover we are sending you 10 copies of our winter issue of New South. We are very pleased that you found it helpful. We are also pleased to hear that you are organizing a Community Relations Council. We will be happy to be of any possible assistance to you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM July 2, 1968

To: Christopher Edley
Ford Foundation, Inc.

From: Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council

This memorandum is in response to your request for specific information on the realistic number of acres required for a minimum adequate income for a typical farm family in the deep South. The information has been collected largely by Glenda Bartley of our Research staff after consultation with individuals at Tuskegee Institute, Auburn University and the University of Georgia. The following observations are limited to Alabama, though comparable information is available for other states.

USDA estimates, for Alabama, that a Class VI farm (income range of $50 to $2,400) averages 75.5 acres. A Class V farm ($2,500 to $4,999) averages 163.3 acres. These figures can be misleading. They assume a typical general farm operation and they allow substantial costs for outside labor.

Our investigation convinced us that an adequate minimum income can be achieved on substantially less

acreage than that indicated by USDA if certain crucial qualifications are met. These would include wise selection of crops, sound cooperative marketing procedures, and, likely, cooperative purchasing of supplies and cooperative use of machinery.

By way of illustration, a study by Sydney C. Bell of the Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology Department, Auburn University indicates the following net profit per acre for the crops indicated. These net figures are compiled on the assumption that all labor is provided by the family unit without outside labor costs. (Professor Bell prefaces each table with the statement, "Based on Good Management Practices.")

Squash (Spring Crop)	$ 250.00 per acre
Cucumbers	263.00
Cabbage	264.00
Tomatoes	274.00
Southern Peas	145.00
Lima Beans	169.00
Snap Beans	425.00

Quite obviously from the above, twenty acres in cash crops, properly grown and marketed, with an additional twenty acres for supportive use -- or a total of a farm of forty acres could provide a minimum adequate income. Beyond the obvious, the key factor, therefore, is not the size of the farm but "good management practices" including the structure under which such an effort would be undertaken.

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July 2, 1968

Mr. Norman Perlstein
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

You have probably discovered by now that the Raleigh-Durham Airport is undergoing repairs and that no jets are landing there. Consequently, schedules, at least from Atlanta, are substantially changed.

I am now scheduled to arrive on Thursday, July 11th on Eastern Airlines, Flight #2528, at 12:30 p.m. Let me know your schedule.

The Visiting Fellow Program sounds very interesting. I would like to ask you some more questions about it, and give you some reactions when we are together. At that time, also, we can discuss the latest proposal from AFSC.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 2, 1968

Ms. Doris P. Dennison
Board of Education
The United Methodist Church
P. O. Box 871
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Ms. Dennison:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on Negro history.

I suggest you obtain the following books:

Eyewitness: The Negro in American History
by William Loren Katz

The Negro and the Schools
by Harry S. Ashmore

The American Negro Reference Book
by John P. Davis

Some of the schools that are teaching Negro history are:

Clark University in Worchester, Massachusetts

Western University in Kalamazoo, Michigan

Detroit University in Detroit, Michigan

All public schools in Frankford, Kentucky

A list of textbooks suggested to be used are:

Story of the Negro - ARNA Bontemps
(for upper and junior high schools)

The Story of the American Negro by Earl S. Miens (upper elementary and junior high schools)

The Unfinished March by Carol F. Drisko & Edgar Toppin (the history of the Negro in the U. S. during the civil war and Reconstruction)

Time of Trial, the Time of Hope by Milton Meltzer and August Meier

A Pictorial History of the Negro in America by Langston Hughes and Milton Meltzer

Teachers' Guide to American Negro History by William T. Katz (resource materials for teachers and administratoss)

The Negro in America: A Bibliography by Elizabeth W. Miller

A Layman's Guide to Negro History by Edwin A. Salk

The Negro Heritage Library, Educational Heritage, Inc., Yonkers, New York

The Negro in Modern American History, a textbook by Irving Sloan

Black Notes, by Joanne Grant

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

P.S. You may get free copies of Negro history books by writing the sales promotion department of your local Coca-Cola Company.

July 2, 1968

Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Sirs:

Please send me a copy of, A List of Intercultural Textbooks, and a copy of, Readers and Reviewing Virginia Textbooks.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

July 2, 1968

Mr. Jack Nelson
The Los Angeles Times
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jack:

Your story on the ability of federal law enforcement to force the letter of the law on the poor people's campaign and its unwillingness to enforce the laws that would benefit poor people is the best single civil rights story I have even seen in a newspaper. Thank you for it. May we reprint it in the next NEW SOUTH?

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: Mr. Edwin Guthman
National Editor
The Los Angeles Times
Times Mirror Square
Los Angeles, California 90053

July 2, 1968

Mr. Ervin Merey-Kadar
Voorhees College
Denmark, South Carolina 29042

Dear Mr. Merey-Kader:

I have read both of your articles with a great deal of interest and fascination. I believe there is probably more truth in them than most Americans would like to believe. However, both seem no more than outlines, brief, sketchy, raising fundamental issues without any real analysis or evaluation. I feel that a great deal more work by way of development is needed.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js
Encl.

July 3, 1968

Mr. Robert A. Thompson
Deputy Assistant to the
Regional Administrator
Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Peachtree Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear RAT:

Thank you for your warm letter of congratulations and reassurance. Needless to say, I appreciate it very much and will do my level best at Harvard.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

July 3, 1968

Mr. William L. Harris
228 14th Street, N. W.
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Bill:

Thanks for your letter of June 25 regarding Al Ulmer. He is presently in town and I am relaying to him the information that you sent.

Best regards to Thrae.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

July 3, 1968

Mr. Martin England
The Ministers and Missionaries
Benefit Board of the
American Baptist Convention
Southern Regional Office
Post Office Box 10201
Greenville, South Carolina 29603

Dear Martin:

Thanks loads for your note regarding the Harvard appointment. I am indeed excited about it and anxiously awaiting January 1st.

I look forward to hearing from some of your American Baptist friends while I am there.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

July 3, 1968

Mr. Keenner M. Smathers
ABC Program
03 Allen Building
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Smathers:

Enclosed herewith is a tentative agenda for the Quail Roost Conference. I doubt that we will make any major changes in the program as outlined.

If you have any suggestions, or comments, please feel free to make them.

Sincerely,

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

July 3, 1968

Dr. Frederick Patterson
President
Phelps-Stokes Fund
22 East Fifty-Fourth Street
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Patterson:

Thanks for your good words about the Advisory Committee meeting of the Voter Education Project at Capahosic. It was a pleasure having you share in our meeting and we look forward to your presence next year.

I want to confirm my participation in the symposium planned in connection with the inauguration of the President of Bennett College on October 11. I am pleased to have been invited, and look forward to sharing in the program.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 3, 1968

Dear Anne:

Enclosed herewith is a tentative agenda for the Quail Roost Conference. I doubt that we will make any major changes in the program as outlined.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please feel free to make them.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anne R. Forsyth
President
Anne C. Stouffer Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 10637 - Salem Station
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

July 3, 1968

MEMO

TO: BERNICE COOK

FROM: THE VEP

PLEASE SEND:

a) 150 copies of "Know Your Rights"

b) 350 copies of "Know Your Georgia"

TO:

Mr. Herman Lodge
Burke County Improvement Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 347
Waynesboro, Georgia

July 3, 1968

Mr. Horace C. Bynum
President
New Orleans Branch, NAACP
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mr. Bynum:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and BEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say we hope you will include anything that seems of interest of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 3, 1968

Mr. Maynard Jackson
Citizens For Jackson's Committee
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
4th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

This package, having been delivered to our office, was opened by mistake.

We are promptly returning same to your office.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan
Director
Voter Education
Project

VEJ:rlw
Enclosure

July 5, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mrs. Lorella M. Salazar - 3110
Sandia Corporation
Box 5800
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87115

Dear Mrs. Salazar:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $84.00, as requested in your letter of July 2, as a travel advance for our meeting in Dallas on July 13-14.

The SRC will pay room and board costs to the motel directly, as before, and we can pay incidental expenses to you subsequently.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting. Glad you can and will serve on the steering group.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Enclosures:
Check
Travel expense form

July 5, 1968

VIA AIR MAIL

Mr. R. P. Sanchez
223 South 17th (Guerra) Street
McAllen, Texas 78501

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $100.00, a travel advance for our meeting in Dallas, July 13-14.

Yes, the SRC will pick up the room and board tab at the motel, as before.

I am glad that you will be able to attend, and, knowing how busy you are, very appreciative too.

See you there.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Enclosures:
Check
Travel expense form

July 8, 1968

Mr. F. Clark Williams
Executive Director
Community Action Program
615 Medical Arts Building
Shreveport, Louisiana 71101

Dear Clark:

When I returned to the office on Friday, a note on my desk said that you had called Wednesday. I am sorry that I missed you.

As a matter of fact, I thought about you while on that trip. I went to St. Petersburg to look into a nasty deal that sanitation workers got down there. The villain in the affair turned out to be the City Manager, Lynn Andrews by name, who had once been City Manager in Shreveport. He learned well!

PattWatters and I remember well your hospitality during our visit last year. Do call again when you come through Atlanta next time, and I shall reciprocate.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 8, 1968

Mr. Tommy Martin, Jr.
731 Anderson Place
Fayetteville, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Martin:

We have your letter of July 2, concerning possible employment with the Southern Regional Council. Your resume is certainly interesting, and the combination of experience in the labor and human rights movements should stand you in good stead as you seek employment in the field.

Unfortunately, we have no openings at this time. We will keep your application on file and will be happy to refer other agencies seeking personnel to you.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 8, 1968

Dr. Raymond Wheeler, Chairman
Executive Committee
Southern Regional Council
3724 Warrington Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Dear Ray:

As you know, I have received copies of a couple of secent communications from Will Allred which suggest that I should write a memorandum to the sub-committee you appointed recently. (I do not know who is chairing the sub-committee.)

Needless to say, I would be happy to present or try to clarify my views on the question of "viability" and "non-viability" of state councils, as well as other matters having to do with SRC-state council relations, if requested to do so by you or by the sub-committee.

I don't think that I should presume to do so, unless asked, but did not want you to think that I am uninterested.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 8, 1968

AIR MAIL

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

I have your letter of July 5. We are mailing a check today to cover your expenses for the May meeting, and will remit directly to the Villa Capri for the luncheon.

I am pleased that you have had eight favorable replies from the Steering Group. John B. White telephoned for a travel advance, so I assume that he will attend. I learned from Mr. Sanders that Stuart Trapp is in Europe.

It certainly would be a boon to have Casso, Black, and Armstrong with us.

I assume that you will let the Executive Inn know exactly how many to expect and those who will share rooms, if any.

Incidentally, I had been planning to fly to Dallas Saturday morning, but I am going to change to a Friday evening flight, if possible. I dislike arriving just thirty minutes before a meeting, even if the plane is on time.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 8, 1968

Mrs. Genevia Kissel
Sales and Catering Manager
Executive Inn
3232 West Mockingbird Lane
Dallas, Texas 75235

Dear Mrs. Kissel:

I have corresponded with you concerning reservation of several single rooms for June 13.

I would like to have one of those rooms, for myself, for the night of Friday, June 12, also. I shall be arriving around 10:00 P. M. and would like the room held for late arrival.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 8, 1968

The Reverend Charles Sanders
Route 1
Stilwell, Oklahoma 74074

Dear Mr. Sanders:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $107.00, as requested in our telephone conversation, for travel expenses to the meeting in Dallas, July 13-14.

I look forward to seeing you again, and to a successful meeting.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Enclosures:
Check
Travel expense form

July 8, 1968

Mr. John B. White
Post Office Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Dear John:

Enclosed is our check for $60.00 for travel advance to the meeting in Dallas, July 13-14.

I am also enclosing, for your convenience, a travel expense account form.

Looking forward to seeing you again.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Enclosures:
Check
Travel expense form

July 8, 1968

Mr. T. F. Beckner, III
146 St. Agnes Drive, Apt. 4
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Dear Mr. Beckner:

Thank you so much for your good letter about the Memphis report. Under separate cover, the additional materials you requested are being forwarded.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

Encl. - 1.

July 8, 1968

Mr. Whitney Young
Executive Director
The National Urban League
14 East 48th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Young:

We would like to have a copy of your speech presented to CORE this past weekend. If possible, we would also like to have a copy forwarded to Mr. Jack Nelson, c/o the Los Angeles Times, 10 Forsyth Street, Atlanta 30303.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

July 8, 1968

Mr. D. John Heyman
President
New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Heyman:

This will acknowledge with our sincere appreciation the Foundation's grant of $10,000 in support of the Voter Education Project, and $15,000 in support of the Council's general operations.

We note the stipulations and requirements of each grant and shall, of course, abide by them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures (signed receipts #3580 and #3563)

MEMORANDUM July 8, 1968

To: Members of the Program Committee

From: Paul Anthony

This is a final reminder of the meeting of the Program Committee on Saturday, July 13th.

The meeting will be held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 3. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. for those who have arrived by that time. The meeting will adjourn no later than 4:00 p.m.

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Bring up

July 8, 1968

Dr. Richard Wasserstrom
Professor of Law and Professor
of Philosophy
School of Law
University of California at
Los Angeles
Los Angeles, California 90024

Dear Dr. Wasserstrom:

We shall be happy to make available such information as we have about Dallas County. Mrs. Glenda Bartley, of our Research Department, and Mr. Marvin Wall, of our Voter Education Project, will both be here around August 1st and will be pleased to assist you in any way possible.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 8, 1968

Dr. Clifton Johnson
Race Relation Institute
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Cliff:

My expenses to the Race Relations Institute last week were as follows:

Air Travel (receipt attached)	$ 46.20
Rental Car (receipt attached)	14.92
Taxi to and from Atlanta Airport	7.00
TOTAL	$ 68.12

It was a pleasure to return to the Institute in successive years. Give me a break in '68 and invite me again for '69. I commend you on the success of this year's program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

July 8, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Williams
Executive Director
The American Institute of Planners
917 Fifteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

DearSSir:

May I receive detailed information and application blanks for MEMBER in AIP and indication of exactly whom I should work through in the local chapter.

Thanking you for your assistance, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

VEP 68-115

July 8, 1968

Mr. C. S. Hamilton
Richmond County Voter Education Project
Augusta Branch, NAACP
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Richmond County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Richmond County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a perios of eight weeks to run from July 16 to September 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		150.00
Office Supplies		50.00
		$ 1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our recrods and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsbile for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organization. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation of economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is requisdd.

2 These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

July 8, 1968

Meet the Press
c/o Merkle Press
P. O. Box 2111
Washington, D. C. 20013

Dear Sir:

Would you please send us the transcript of George Wallace's appearance on Meet the Press on Sunday, June 30, 1968.

Enclosed are ten cents in coin and a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

JULY 8, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Tennessee Field Trip

The following is a report of a field trip I made to the state of Tennessee from June 17 to June 18, 1968. The projects visited were in the cities of Knoxville and Chattanooga and in the counties of Franklin, Lincoln, Bedford, Giles and Lawrence. I was unable to visit the projects in West Tennessee, but will do so very soon in the future.

FIELD REPORT # 22

KNOXVILLE

On Monday, June 17, I talked with Mrs. V.H. Netherland, Director of the Knoxville NAACP Voter Registration Project, and Mrs. Sara Green, secretary to the project. Both ladies discussed with me the progress of their drive in the Knoxville

area, and indicated to me that they felt theirs had been a very productive and well-run drive. With the help of seven task-force workers, several volunteers and the use of approximately three cars, the project has been very successful in conducting its voter registration drive.

OVER 900 PERSONS REGISTERED

In the efforts of the Knoxville project over 900 persons have been registered to vote since the inception of the drive. The procedure for doing this has usually been 1) meeting with the workers for instruction of registration techniques, 2) how to interview prospective voters, 3) procedures for conducting an effective canvass, and 4) setting up the transportation schedules to carry prospective registrants to the registration office. Apparently, the organization that has gone into this drive has been very capable and effective; compared to the other projects in Tennessee, the number registered represents the most effective work underwritten by the Voter Education Project this year.

NO MAJOR PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

Perhaps much of the success attributed to the Knoxville project can be traced to the fact that it has encountered no major problems, as is often the case in many communities in the South. For instance, there have been no problems with the registrar. He has cooperated in every

way possible to help make the drive a successful one. Similarly, there have been no problems getting support from the black community. Ministers, members of civic clubs, fraternal groups and a missionary group have all been instrumental in the progress that has been made in Knoxville. To be sure, there have been some problems, but these have been of the usual sort and they have not greatly impeded the progress of the drive. The impression I got from my visit there was that this was a job very well done.

5 CANDIDATES FOR POLITICAL OFFICE

In the primary election on August 1st, there will be 5 black candidates running for political office in Knoxville. Two of the five are incumbents, who are being challenged by Negroes. The candidates are as follows: 1) Robert Booker, Legislature--incumbent, 2) Jesse Debro, Legislature, 3) Theodore Robinson, Legislature, 4) Dennis Banks, Constable-incumbent, 5) James Staples, Constable. Workers in the Knoxville project believe that Mr. Booker and Mr. Banks are unbeatable.

Perhaps the only criticism that can be made of the Knoxville group is that it is working only in the city of

Knoxville, although the grant we made was made for Knoxville and Knox County. Mrs. Netherland indicated that they were planning to work in the county, but did not see the need for any concentrated effort in the county, since most black people live in Knoxville. Notwithstanding this, the project in Knoxville is still a very well-run project, and one that has operated with optimum consistency. All their research reports indicate that they have been doing the work well.

CHATTANOOGA

At the time I was in Chattanooga very little was being done in registration. The registration taking place was on a piece-meal basis, and I was told that the project was gearing itself toward several target dates, namely June 24 through 27.

Reverend Paul McDaniel, director of the Chattanooga drive, told me that the reasons for gearing the drive toward those dates was due to the registration books being in the neighborhoods from 4 to 8 p.m. on those dates. Hence the entire effort was going to try to capitalize on the assignment of the registration books in various neighborhoods. When I expressed my doubts of the wisdom of conducting what is essentially a three-day, 12 hour registration drive, Rev. McDaniel told me that this was the decision of the organization responsible for conducting the drive.

The organization he made reference to is the Citizen's Non-Partisan Voter Registration Campaign Committee. It is composed of various groups throughout the Chattanooga area, although our grant was made to the NAACP branch. Originally, it's Political Action Committee, after proper authorization from the branch, agreed to form an organization that would be representative of all--or nearly all-- elements in the community,

and that is how the Citizen's Non-Partisan Voter Registration Campaign Committee was born.

From all indications this kind of united experience was good for the Chattanooga black community. It appears that everyone is working harmoniously to increase black registration in the Chattanooga community, but they are apparently placing too much emphasis on the neighborhood registrations.

COOPERATION FROM COMMUNITY

While the Citizen's Non-Partisan Voter Registration Campaign Committee effort is supposed to be a cooperative one, I doubt seriously that the drive is getting very broad support from the community. Rev. McDaniel indicated that there was some cooperation from ministers, fraternal organizations such as Kappa Alpha Psi, and other groups in the community. But my overall impression (and I really can't verify this) is that this registration drive is on very shaky ground. Perhaps the result of the overall effort will prove me wrong. I hope so.

FOR POLITICAL OFFICE

In the August 1st election there will be two black men running for political office from the Chattanooga-Hamilton County area. These men are Mr. James Mapp, who is running for County Trustee and a Rev. Stone, who is running for the legislature. Neither is given a strong chance for winning.

The reason for the lack of optimism on the part of the people in the community is the low registration among blacks in the area. Rev. McDaniel, the chief sceptic, noted that there are approximately 50,000 whites registered and approximately 19,000 blacks registered. In his opinion, Mr. Mapp and Rev. Stone will not get very much white support, and hence they will be unable to win.

It is worth noting that at the time I was in the Chattanooga area, Chattanooga was hosting the biggest convention in its history. This was the convention of the National Baptist Congress, and I think that there were something like 3500 delegates in attendance. The Chattanooga papers had front page coverage of the Mayor and other city officials, official welcome to the delegates. There was coverage on the service Chattanooga was able to offer to the delegates, how cordial all of the hotels would be, and articles on the reactions of convention delegates to the Chattanooga area. One man from Jackson, Mississippi reportedly said that Chattanooga was a great town, and he didn't see very much difference in this convention and those he had attended in Boston, Philadelphia, New York and other places. No doubt this will be a boom to convention business in the Chattanooga area, for if one is to

assume that the convention delegates were pleased with the service they recieved in Chattanooga no doubt other black groups will come into the area for conventions.

I left Chattanooga that afternoon marvelling at the power of the dollar--wishing it were not so--and wondering if the dollar of the black man is indeed enough to close the curtain on a centuries-old horror story. Driving toward Fayetteville, I felt myself imposing my shadow on the huge mountains along the highway.

LINCOLN COUNTY (FAYETTEVILLE)

In Fayetteville, the county seat of Lincoln County, I met with Reverend H.I. Ewing, director of the registration project in the county. Reverend Ewing is a very personable man who apparently enjoys working in projects such as this. H is young (about 33) and is the pastor of what appeared to be the largest church in the town of Aayetteville.

Rev. Ewing and I talked about the registration drive in progress and he indicated that they have been doing well with a staff of eight people working throughout the county. Their primary area of concentration has been in Fayetteville since it is the largest mucicipality in the county. No major problems have been encountered by members of the project.

OVER 300 REGISTERED

As a result of the drive in progress, there had been over 300 persons registered to vote while I was in Tennessee. This, according to Rev. Ewing, brings the county black registration to approximately 3,200 as opposed to a white registration of approximately 6,000. And it is felt that the gap will be closed considerably upon termination of the project.

BIGGEST COMMUNITY SUPPORT FROM CHURCHES

Rev. Ewing told me of receiving almost no cooperation from organizations in the black community. Organizations like the Elks, the Masons, and the American Legion had not even

given token support to the drive. He indicated that the bulk of the support had come from the churches in the community. Ministers apparently were instrumental in publicizing the project and urging their congregations to "become better citizens." I suppose Reverend Ewing's being a minister has had some effect in getting this support.

DEPUTY REGISTRARS REQUESTED

On the day I was in Fayetteville, Rev. Ewing and a member of his staff had a meeting with the mayor and members of the Board of Registration in an attempt to have some blacks appointed as deputy registrars. Reverend Ewing asked that the entire project staff (eight persons) be deputized but was promised two deputies instead (since then, research reports coming into the office indicate that Rev. Ewing and his secretary were appointed as deputy registrars by the county registration board). It is felt that the deputization of blacks will lead to a greater number of new registrations.

In a sense, one can say that there are no problems in registering to vote in Lincoln County. Apparently the whites who work in the registration office are cordial and courteous whenever a Negro seeks to register. But still many blacks stay away because of the past: a remembrance of days brutal,

unfriendly, and repressive. And today we describe the reluctance engendered by the past--apathy.

PROBLEMS IN PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS

While there may be no problem with voter registration in Lincoln County it appears that Fayetteville blacks are still encountering several problems with public accomodations in the area. On the day I was in Fayetteville, Rev. Ewing indicated that they were still having problems with a local restaurant. It appears that the owner of the restaurant was approached about his policy of not serving Negroes in his establishment, and he indicated that he would not change it. Still Rev. Ewing was hopeful that he and others in the community would be able to persuade the owner to desegregate his establishment.

In a sense this seems very peculiar; that after four years some establishments are still not comply ng with the 1964 Civil Rights Act. But it is happening, and it tends to happen in areas that are away from the very busy thoroughfares(like on the highway going to Plaquemine, La., where the owner desegregated only after blacks insisted that he do so in the aftermath of the King assassination), usually in small towns that have no national public accomodations franchises.

These are the towns that have the Lester Maddox-type establishment owners, who vowed that they would never serve Negroes, and before they would serve them they would close their places of business. But this kind of owner for the most part has not closed his business, usually the only way way to gain compliance from the individual is for some local group to confromt him and demand that there be a change in his policy. (I doubt whether the federal government has made an attempt to find out about such establishments.) So some communities have done this; others have not. And there are probably many establishments throughout the South that are still refusing to serve black people.

NO BLACK CANDIDATES IN LINCOLN COUNTY

There are no candidates of color running for any political offices in the August primary. If my memory serves me correctly, Rev. Ewing told me that there have never been any Negroes to run for political office in the Lincoln County area. But with a registration effort such as this, I think it is reasonable to expect black people offering for office soon in the future.

BEDFORD COUNTY (SHELBYVILLE)

While in Shelbyville I talked with Mrs. J. Hall and Mr. Edward Couch, staff workers of the Bedford County Voter Education Project, in an office that at one time was a hot dog and hamburger stand. We discussed the progress of the drive in the Bedford County area, and its meaning for towns like Shelbeville. Both persons indicated that this was the first time in the history of Bedford County that there had been a registration drive for, and by, black people. Naturally, Mrs. Hall and Mr. Couch were concerned about the progress they were making, and they were concerned about our impressions of their drive.

DRIVE PROGESSING SLOWLY

The project in Bedford County had been responsible for registering about 146 persons at the time I visited the area. Project workers told me of working "in the rurals" and the town of Shelbeville with six task-force workers and three cars. They were trying to do their best, they said. I told them that I felt that 146 registrations was not commensurate with the money we were putting into the Bedford County area. They agreed that perhaps they could have done better and asked for some suggestions as to what they might do

in the future to increase the number of persons registered.

My first suggestion to them was that they attempt to secure Negro deputy registrars for the county. A person I thought would be helpful in guiding their efforts was Rev. Ewing of neighboring Lincoln County, and I indicated that Rev. Ewing and his group had been successful in securing two Negro deputy registrars. They seemed to have been heartened by this. From all indications they were not to hopeful that their attempts would yield any signifigant results. In reviewing their publicity materials I advised them that it was much to general in addressing itself to prospective registrants. For instance, one leaflet said that people should register because registering ment good citizenship, and good citizenship was in keeping with the laws of God. Well, I told Mrs. Hall that this was certainly good, but it would not be sufficient to influence persons to register. Instead, I suggested a leaflet that would address itself to issues that the people in the area were concerned with, for instance, the lack of effective desegregation of schools, the lack of deputy registrars, problems with the welfare system, and various other things that people might be concerned about. Here again they were very receptive to my suggestions, and indicated that they would try and do that.

Mrs. Hall told me to tell you that she considered the funding of the Bedford County Voter Education Project a "blessing from God". She said further that, "Mr. Jordan is a real man, he is a sweet boy". Mrs. Hall also felt that the only problems they were encountering in the project were the problems they were having with people. She said that some people considered it useless to register to vote, and she spent most of her time trying to convince them that it is the will of God that they register to vote. (So much has been said about God and his connection with the vote until it might be fitting at this time to indicate that Mrs. Hall is the widow of a Baptist minister and needless to say, she is a very very devout Christian).

Although we funded the Bedford County project for citizenship education as well as voter registration, members of the project are presently only engaged in voter registration. They told me that their goal was to meet the people first of all as this was the first drive ever of its kind in the county. They were hopeful that they could conduct a citizenship education program apon the termination of the registration drive.

Politically there are no blacks running for political office. I was told that there has been only one man to run for office in the history of the county. This person ran in

1956 and was roundly defeated. To put it mildly, Bedford County appeared to be a very tough county.

In terms of whether the Bedford County Voter Education Project is conducting its campaign according to the standards we have set for receipent organizations I think it is fair to say that the project is doing as well as it can. This being a pilot effort it is necessarily limited in its effectiveness in the county. Though the number of persons registered has not been large, I think that there is a good possibility that this effort can blossom into an effective and productive campaign.

GILES AND LAWRENCE COUNTIES PROJECT

GILES COUNTY

In the town of Pulaski I talked with Mr. James Brown, chairman of the Giles-Lawrence county project. Mr. Brown told me that as far as he was concerned the project in Giles County was going well. Approximately 157 persons had been registered as of that date and he felt that this was good.

I told Mr. Brown that I did not think that the results of this drive were heartening at all. I indicated that we expected more people to be registered, and that something should be done to boost the registration figures for that county. He seemed to have been shocked with the revealing of displeasure with his project. I felt that it was necessary to do so.

In terms of the operation for the drive I got the feeling that they were not very well organized. Perhaps this is an incorrect assestment on my part, but nonetheless Mr. Brown's reaction to the questions I posed to him, indicated that something was lacking in the drive.

PROBLEMS WITH DRIVE

To be fair the ostensible failure cannot be ascribed entirely to a lack of organization. Instead, people in Giles County have several problems in conducting their drive. One problem has been that of getting the registration office to stay open more than one day a week. When the drive first began it was open only one day, Friday. After consultation with the registration board, Mr. Brown and his workers were able to get extended opening days. Now the office is open weekdays, except Thursday and on Saturday. During the week it is open from 9 to 12. O course these hours also restrict the success of the drive, for obviously, if a registration office is closed between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock, many persons who would be able to register during their lunch hours can not do so. Similarly with the closing hour of 4 o'clock. In an individual is working chances are he will not be able to go to the registration office before 4 o'clock. While

something has been attempted to get extended hours the efforts of Mr. Brown and his workers to rectify this condition have largely been in vain.

Another problem has been; as Mr. Brown put it, the problem of getting their money on time. I told Mr. Brown that our office does what it can to act as promptly as possible whenever we have received financial reports. I explained our financial procedure to him, and informed him that if there was an error or laxness on our part we would attempt to do something about it.

ATTEMPTS TO GET DEPUTY REGISTRARS

The project in Giles County has been trying to have some Negroes deputized for duty as registrars. The city and county officials have been approached about this matter but to no avail. On the day I was in Mr. Brown's office, he talked with a Mr. Jerome Abernathy, chairman of the election commission in Giles County about black deputy registrars. Mr. Abernathy had first complained about the county having insufficient funds for deputy registrars. Mr. Brown then said that they would be happy to do it free. Mr. Abernathy said that he did not see the necessity of it, Mr. Brown retorted that he did not see where Mr. Abernathy could decide the necessity of such a thing. Mr. Abernathy finally said as he interpreted the state law, it was entirely illegal

for Giles County to have deputy registrars. At that point the conversation broke off. Mr. Brown told me that he would seek to do more about securing deputy registrars for Giles County. He indicated that he really did not think that he was going to be successful but at any rate he was not going to let the racist get off that easily.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

The situation is essentially the same in Lawrence County. Only 92 persons have registered since the beginning of the drive. The problems that are plaguing the Giles County project are essentially those plaguing the Lawrence County project. There are problems with the hours that the registration office is open and also problems with the registrar who refuses to appoint any deputy registrars in the county. Additionally it might be said that there is a problem of there being a very sparse black population in that county, according to what Mr. Brown told me. Previously there were very few, if any, blacks residing in Lawrence County. Only with some industry moving into the county did any black people start moving into the county in appreciable numbers. As a matter of fact, only about 4,000 blacks are living in the entire county.

So basically the program in Lawrence County suffers from the same thing as the one in Giles County. It is in my opinion, poorly organized. And that coupled with the problems that it is encountering makes it largely ineffective.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

While I was in Franklin County I went to the town of Winchester, Tennessee, to see Mr. John B. Cunningham, Jr., Director of the Franklin County Voter Education Project, but was unable to do so. Mr. Cunningham was at work but I was able to talk with him on the telephone. He explained his side of the situation and acknowdleged that he had made some mastakes in excluding Mrs. Fowler. He said that matter had been ironed out. He also admitted that in his opinion the project was ready to resume operation and he requested that we lift our suspension of it.

Personally, I am in favor of this. In light of what Mrs. Fowler reportedly said to members of the Franklin County project it is necessary that we do so. Apparently Mrs. Fowler told Mr. Cunningham that she had friends in Atlanta and she would have the funds cut off if the project did not meet with her approval. Of course Mr. Cunningham and the others did not believe her, but when the suspension did occur as Mr. Cunningham put it, they were alarmed and shocked. So for the sake of our image in the field, I think it behooves us to reinstate this project.

WE'VE PAID OUR DUES

What happens to a man
who finds himself?
Does he inflict that discarded on others
Or does he become imbued with tolerance?
Does he storm the minds of some
Or does he yield to the whims of many?
Does he open the door to life
Or close the casket of death?

Tell me, what happens to a man
EXPLOITED,
CURSED,
BEATEN,
FREED
and LIBERATED?
Does he become your conscience?

Weldon J. Rougeau

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July 9, 1968

Father Bryce Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Father Joyce:

Enclosed is our check for $2,500 in support of the Southern Rural Research Project. The check is made out as you requested this morning in your conversation with Edwin Stanfield.

At your convenience please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed carbon copy of this letter and return it to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $2,500)

cc: Mr. John Heyman
New York Foundation

Mr. Don Jelinek
Southern Rural Research Project

July 9, 1968

Mr. Andrew Knight
The Economist
National Press Building
Room 609
Washington, D. C. 20004

Dear Andrew:

It was a real pleasure having you visit, and I am happy to know that the other people along the way were helpful.

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested materials.

I shall certainly give you a call when next I am in Washington.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail

July 9, 1968

Mr. Geoffrey L. Baylis
Chief Assistant Editor
The Birmingham Post
14 Yew Tree Lane
Solihull,
Warwickshire, England

Dear Mr. Baylis:

It was our pleasure having you with us and being of some assistance to you during your visit. I have passed along your comments to Jim Wood.

Certainly, if I or any of us here get to England we shall look you up. In the meantime, if we can be of any possible assistance to you do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 9, 1968

Mr. C. S. Hamilton
Richmond County Voter Education Project
Augusta Branch, NAACP
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 9, 1968

Mr. Ira Crutcher
President
Cross County Voters League
Route 1, Box 224
Colt, Arkansas 72326

Dear Mr. Crutcher:

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July 9, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Samuel:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Louisiana Voter Education Project to conduct a workshop for Negro Elected Officials in Louisiana. This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $800.00.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, not to influence legislation of any kind, not in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your activities.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Reporting Forms for your report, and c) a copy of the deposit slip.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirement to the Project.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rlw
Enclosures

cc: Nils Douglas
Dr. Jewel Prestage

July 9, 1968

Mr. Leroy Church
President
St. Francis County Achievement Committee
1027 End Street
Forrest City, Arkansas 72335

Dear Mr. Church:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 9, 1968

Mr. Willie E. Higgins
Coordinator
Community Round Table
412 South 25th Street
West Memphis, Arkansas 72301

Dear Mr. Higgins:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 9, 1968

The Reverend L. M. Tobin
Conference Director
The Interdenominational Theological Center
671 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Tobin:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the honorarium of $25.00 for my participation in the Charles D. Hubert Ministers Conference, June 25 - 28, 1968.

I am appreciative for the opportunity to participate, and I congratulate you on the very splendid directorship of the meeting. It was clearly a successful effort to meet present-day needs.

Best wishes for the continued success of your program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 9, 1968

Mr. Donald Jackson, Director
Floyd County
Voter Educational Committee
1 East Ross Street
Rome, Georgia 30161

Dear Mr. Jackson:

I regret that I cannot accept your kind invitation of the Floyd County Voter Educational Committee to the dinner meeting of July 27, 1968. Prior out-of-town commitments make it impossible for me to be present.

Best wishes for a successful program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 9, 1968

Mr. Harold A. Dawson
Program Director
Associations for Commerce and Trade
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Dawson:

I am pleased to pledge anew my cooperation and that of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, in the program of the Assn. for Commerce & Trade for the ensuing year. We deeply appreciate the able and energetic leadership that you have given the Atlanta program in its first year. I am confident that the groundwork you have laid this past year that the potential for even better programming is better than ever. You have our continued support and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 9, 1968

Mrs. Elsie C. Colson
Acting Head
Secondary Education Department
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Colson:

I was shocked and saddened to learn in your letter of June 19 of the death of your husband. I knew him only briefly during a visit at Capahosic last summer. I was greatly impressed by him and his ideas. Belatedly, you have my deepest sympathy and it is my sincere hope that his many contributions to young people at Virginia State College is a measure of comfort to you as you mourn his loss.

I have not had an opportunity to read the materials that you sent to me. I will do so and respond within the fortnight.

Assuming time and schedule permits, I would be delighted to come to Petersburg to participate in the program; however, my participation would have to be limited to the first semester as I will be away during the second semester as a Fellow with the Institute of Politics at Harvard University.

I apologize for the delay in responding to your kind invitation to share my ideas in this proposal; however, my time has not been my own.

I was delighted to see Al Harris and his daughter at Capahosic last weekend. We plan to return during the last week in August, and hopefully, we will see you.

My wife Shirley, and my daughter Vickee, both of whom remember you and Courtlandt, send their best regards.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 9, 1968

Mrs. Taunya Banks
538½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Banks:

Enclosed, please find the flight checks for your trip Saturday, July 13, 1968.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

TO: rlw

Enclosure

July 9, 1968

Mr. Gilbert Harrison, Sr.
Director
The Grant Parish Civic and
Improvement Organization, Inc.
New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Route 2, Box 40A
Colfax, Louisiana 71417

Dear Mr. Harrison:

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MW:mjc

July 9, 1968

Mr. O. T. Tooke
Chairman
Jefferson County Voter Education Project
2402 Georgia Street
Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71601

Dear Mr. Tooke:

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Voter Education Project

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July 9, 1968

Mr. C. C. Akins
President
Augusta Voters League
Carver Elementary School
Augusta, Arkansas 72006

Dear Mr. Akins:

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ANNE C. STOUFFER FOUNDATION, INC.

PLEASE REPLY
TO UNDERSIGNED

July 9, 1968

Dear Mrs. Forsyth:

Vernon asked that I send to you the enclosed copies of letters inviting participants to the Quail Roost Conference Center, July 19-20.

Sincerely,

Nobbie

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosures

July 9, 1968

Mr. J. Richard Fehler
Box 9094 Duke Station
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Fehler:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of our booklet "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" and a copy of the SRC Publication List.

Sincerely,

Margaret Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mjc
Enclosure

July 9, 1968

Mr. Leo Bowen, Jr.
7144 Dorian Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70126

Dear Mr. Bowen:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of our booklet "Know Your Rights" and the SRC Publications List.

Sincerely,

Margaret Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mjc

July 9, 1968

Dr. Jewel L. Prestage
NDEA Summer Institute for
Advanced Study in Civics
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Prestage:

Enclosed are the back issues of the VEP newsletter you requested.

We have also added the names of the members of the Louisiana VEP Board to our mailing list and we thank you for sending along the list of addresses.

Sincerely,

Margaret Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

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July 9, 1968

Mr. Roy B. Wright, President
Coahoma County Youth Council
of the N.A.A.C.P.
611 Baird Avenue
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Wright:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Coahoma County Youth Council of the N. A. A. C. P. for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Coahoma County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,700.00 for a period of eight (8) weeks to run from July 15 to September 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses @ $25.00	$ 200.00
Secretary's Expenses @ $25.00	200.00
5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00	600.00

Telephone	$	50.00
Office Supplies		100.00
Transportation		500.00
Advertisement		50.00

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These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

cc: Messrs. Aaron Henry and W. C. Patton

VEP-68-119

July 9, 1968

Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.
President
South Carolina Voter Education Project
Box 1778, S. C. State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Dr. Thomas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the South Carolina Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct program development in South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $18,000.00 for a period of one year, to run from June 30, [redacted] 1969.

We are limiting the grant to one year subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	$ 8,000.00
b)	Secretary's salary	3,600.00
c)	Travel	2,000.00
d)	Rent and Utilities	1,200.00
e)	Office Supplies & Equipment	1,000.00
f)	Telephone	1,176.00
g)	Postage & Printing	500.00
h)	Printed Materials	80.00
i)	Fringe Benefits	368.40
j)	Advertising & Moving Expenses	75.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mm
Enclosures

July 9, 1968

Mr. Woodrow Keown
Chairman
Pulaski County Action Council
3208 Frazier Pike
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Mr. Keown:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being ehld, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 9, 1968

Mrs. Taunya Banks
538½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Banks:

This is to confirm your employment by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council as a full-time consultant effective July 1st, at the rate of $7,000 per year. Your task will be to assist us in Mississippi in developing programs of technical assistance , information and research, and educational needs for the Negro elected officials. We will be coordinating this project through Tougaloo College ; however, the details the the coordination is to be worked out between the VEP and Director Owens of Tougaloo College.

Until that time you will get direction from, and be responsible to the Director of the Voter Education Project.

We are indeed pleased to have you halp us in this novel area of assisting Negro elected officials in the performance of their responsibilities. I plan to be in Mississippi on Tusday the 16th of July to discuss our program in more detail.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project

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July 10, 1968

Reverend H. I. Ewing
President
The Lincoln County Voter Registration Project
326 West College Street
Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334

Dear Mr. Ewing:

I was very happy to have spent some time with you and the secretary of your project in Lincoln County. I found both of you seemingly very hard working and dedicated people. If the other members of your project are as dilligent as you appear to be, I am certian your drive will have a successful termination.

Congratulations on your being selected as one of the deputy registrars in Lincoln County. No doubt the addition of black people to the staff of the registration broad will have a very marked effect on registration in the county. At least, I hope it does.

Please convey my very best good wishes to members of your staff.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

July 10, 1968

Mrs. J. H. Hall
Bedford County Voter Education Council
113 Bethany Lane
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mrs. Hall:

I was very happy to have met with you and the other members of the Bedford County Voter Education Council while I was in Shelbyville. I was pleased to see that you have been working hard and that you feel your efforts have been fruitful.

I hope you have followed some of my suggestions for improving your campaign, and that this has resulted in an increase in the number of people you have registered.

Thank you for the hospitality and please express my best wishes to everyone who was at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

RJ

July 10, 1968

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Department of Voter Education
Brunswick Branch NAACP
1304½ Glocester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Department of Voter Education of the Brunswick Branch NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration project in Glynn County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from July 15, to September 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

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Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	400.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	480.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Printing and Postage	70.00	
		$1200.00

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a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

CC: W.C. Patton

July 10, 1968

The Reverend Charles Johnson
Meridian Branch of NAACP
610 - 38th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi 39301

Dear Rev. Johnson:

In order to aid you in your program, our Field Director, Weldon Rougeau, has instructed me to send you these copies of our "Registration Report Forms".

May you continue to have progress in your program.

Sincerely,

Roslyn L. Warrior
Research Assistant
Voter Education
Project

Enclosures

July 10, 1968

Mr. John L. Buskey
Montgomery County Branches, NAACP
Room 203
352 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Buskey:

In order to aid you in your program, our Field Director, Weldon Rougeau, has instructed me to send you these copies of our "Registration Report Forms".

May you continue to progress in your program.

Sincerely,

Roslyn L. Warrior
Research Assistant
Voter Education
Project

Enclosures

July 10, 1968

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Department of Voter Education P
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
1304½ Gloucester Street
Brunswick, Georgia 31520

Dear Mr. Miller:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 10, 1968

Dr. Jacquelyne J. Jackson
P.O. Box 8522
Durham, North Carolina 27707

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Vernon Jordan has referred your letter of June 3 to me for a reply.

I am including several items which I hope will be of help to you. The enclosed information includes voting registration figures for North Carolina (and the rest of the South) and analyses of Southwide voting in the 1964 and 1966 elections. Also included is a list of voter registration projects funded by the Voter Education Project since 1962.

For information on legislation pertaining to voting in North Carolina, I would refer you to the Secretary of State's office in Raleigh.

We would be very interested in seeing the completed analysis of voter registration patterns in North Carolina. Please let us know if we can be of more assistance to you in the project.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

July 10, 1968

Mr. Joe Gross
1196 Converse Drive, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30304

Dear Mr. Gross:

Enclosed is the list of Atlanta civil rights offices which you requested in our telephone conversation this afternoon.

I am also enclosing the SRC Special Report on hungry children in Mississippi, which I mentioned to you, and the winter edition of New South Magazine, which features a region-wide report on poverty and hunger. In our library we have several copies of annational report, "Hunger, U.S.A.," which you may look at in our offices or may order from the New Community Press, Washington, D.C.

Let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells,
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

July 10, 1968

Dr. James E. Boyd
Carroll County Voter Education Project
West Georgia College
Carrollton, Georgia

Dear Dr. Boyd:

I have discussed the research reports mentioned in Mr. Jordan's letter of June 28, 1968 with Mr. Johnson. I have told him that it would be necessary for him to keep us informed about when and where meetings are being held, who is attending, what is being accomplished, etc.

It seems to me that Mr. Johnson should send us these reports weekly. There is a strong possibility that Mr. Jordan and I and possibly someone else from the staff of the Voter Education Project will want to attend one or more of these meetings.

As you know, this is an experimental undertaking in Carroll County and we will be intensely interested in following the progress of the program. We always will be happy to receive anything that you or Mr. Johnson consider to be of interest to us.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Boyd. I have long been a fan of hers, although I do not believe I have had the pleasure of meeting her.

Best wishes to you and Mr. Johnson. If we can be of any assistance please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Mr. C. O. Johnson

July 10, 1968

Rev. Paul A. McDaniel
Citizen's Non-Partisan Voter
Registration Campaign Committee
601 East Ninth Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37403

Dear Rev. McDaniel:

Earlier this week I read with considerable interest your narrative report on the registration campaign in the Chattanooga area. Needless to say, I was not at all impressed. My fears and doubts, which I expressed to you while I was in Chattanooga were made manifest by the operation of your project. The entire project, I think, suffered from a lack of proper and far-reaching planning.

Whenever a community conducts neighborhood registration it seems to me that the success of such a campaign hinges on the solidarity and cooperation of the people concerned. I don't think this was so in the case of Chattanooga. But I am sure you have learned a very valuable lesson for the future.

Please understand that this letter is not a criticism of your directorship per se. It is instead a criticism of the entire operation. Personally, from my discussion with you, I think

that you are very well qualified to conduct any registration campaign. But one man cannot be the sole factor of a project's success.

Looking forward to hearing from you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR: rh

July 10, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for the revised list of elected officials and also for the letter regarding Leon Tarver. Information of this sort is always very useful and valuable. In fact I have passed along a suggestion to Newsweek magazine that they provide some coverage on Tarver's campaign.

Hope the meeting on July 13 goes well. I asked Weldon just the other day to remind you to get a photographer to send us some pictures of the meeting. As you remember Durio from Baton Rouge did a good job for us at the workshop last year. Keep those letters and reports coming in.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 10, 1968

Mr. Maynard Chapman
Southwest Georgia Project
615 South Jefferson Street
Albany, Georgia 31701

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Not being a lawyer, I think the simplest way to answer the questions raised in your letter of June 28 would be to send you a copy of the Georgia Election Code, which is just off the press. The percentage of signatures over five per cent needed is a judgment matter, depending on the office being sought and the area in which it is located. To be on the safe side I would get as many signatures as possible---say, 7½% or 10%.

As for legal safeguards there are several. One is the Election Code. Another is the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Still another is the Voting Rights Act of 1965, a copy of which is enclosed.

I notice on page 65 of the Election Code that Section 34-1004 says that qualifying fees for the General Election must be set by the governing authority of the county at least 90 days prior to a general election. This section requires the governing authority to "fix and publish" the fee. I suppose that if the governing authority failed to follow this section of the Code there would be grounds for trying to get the election invalidated.

The matter of assisting a voter is covered on page 119 of the Code. I noticed it says that the person assisted must be "unable to read the English language." In some parts of the South any person who signed the voter's list, even if illiterate, has been held to be able to read and therefore has been denied assistance. You might be on guard about this. I notice in Section 4-1317 limits the number of persons to be assisted to five.

I hope this answers your questions. As I say, I am not a lawyer. However I have a friend in the Secretary of State's office who might be helpful in answering specific questions in the future. If you would like for me to do so I will be happy to forward such questions to him.

Many thanks for calling the other day. I look forward to receiving the list of candidates in your area. Best of luck and let us know what we can do.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 10, 1968

Mr. John Battiste
Route 1, Box 223
Johns Island, South Carolina

Dear John:

Your letter arrived while we were attending a meeting in Virginia. Meanwhile the final figures on registration by county in South Carolina have become available. These figures are enclosed. They are as of the final registration date for the primary: May 11, 1968.

I hope these figures still are useful to you. If this is not what you needed, please let me know.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 10, 1968

Mr. William C. Havard
Chairman
Department of Government
University of Massachusetts
Amherst, Massachusetts 01003

Dear Mr. Havard:

I am enclosing our latest voter registration statistics for the South. We are most pleased to have you use these figures and there is no charge for publishing them. We will, of course, appreciate attribution to the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council.

If we can be of further service please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 10, 1968

Mr. Edgar Taplin
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Edgar:

Copies of "Know Your Rights" and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 are being sent to you under separate cover. I suppose you already have seen "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" but I am including a half dozen copies of this pamphlet just in case.

I hope all is going well for you there. Call on us any time we can be of assistance.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 10, 1968

Mr. Jack D. Smith, Director
Neighborhood Service Center
150 Dooley Street, S. E.
Cleveland, Tennessee 37311

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference is made to your letter of June 21st, requesting copies of "Programs for Better Homes and Neighborhoods." Unfortunately, we do not have any copies left of this publication, and at the present time, no time schedule for reprinting same. If this is reprinted, we will advise you.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

July 10, 1968

Mr. Nat Welch
2112 Castle Way Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30329

Dear Nat:

I believe you will find the enclosed magazine of interest. As a matter of fact, in your new work, I would think you should receive it regularly.

Also, enclosed is a copy of a leaflet Crisis which should be of interest. You might want to write VA for a list of their publications.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

Enclosures:

July 10, 1968

Miss Laura W. Manning
Box A, T.S.U.
Troy, Alabama 36081

Dear Miss Manning:

Enclosed please find the materials on voter registration and Negro political participation which you requested in your letter of June 23.

If we can be of anytfurther assistance, please let us know.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Voter Education Project

July 10, 1968

Mr. Roy B. Wright
President
Coahoma County YouthCouncil
of the NAACP
611 Baird Avenue
Clarksdale, Mississippi 38614

Dear Mr. Wright:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Reseasch
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

Dennis

July 10, 1968

Mrs. B. H. Netherland
President
Knoxville Branch NAACP
1856 Prospect Place
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Netherland:

This letter comes to congratulate you and members of your Voter Education Project for the wonderful job you have done in voter registration. It is always hearting for us to see the operation of a project like yours.

Please convey my very best good wishes to the members of your staff.

Sincerely,

Weldon H. Rougeau

Weldon H. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR: rh

Ready file

July 10, 1968

Mr. James Brown
Chairman
Giles and Lawrence County Voter
Education and Registration Project
410 North First Street
Pulaski, Tennessee 38478

Dear Mr. Brown:

It was a pleasure visiting with you while I was in the State of Tennessee. I regret very much that I was unable to spend more time with you and your staff. Hopefully on my next trip to Tennessee I will be able to meet with all persons concerned.

Please let me know how negotiations with the registration board for deputy registrars are proceeding.

Best of luck in your registration campaign.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

July 10, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

This is just a reminder that, although we have sent the current quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Louisiana Council, it is very important that we have adequate reports--particularly financial reports.

An audit for 1967 is really important, Pat, for the Louisiana Council, quite aside from our requirements--although financial accounting is essential for the SRC, too.

What is the status of your audit for last year?

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 10, 1968

Mr. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

I noticed today that we are sitting on some $6,475 in grant-in-aid and RAP money for the South Carolina Council, due to the fact that we have no report for the last quarter or, more importantly, no audit for 1967.

What is the status of the audit? As you know from all our conversations touching on the subject, an adequate financial accounting is important to us and, we feel, even more important to the South Carolina Council.

It seems like a long time since I have seen you. I hope everything is going well.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 10, 1968

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
51 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Reese:

Enclosed is our check for $1,500.00 representing payment for the manuscript on right wing forces in the south which will be jointly published by The American Jewish Committee and SRC.

Good trip.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enclosure - Check $1,500.00

cc: Mr. Milton Ellerin
American Jewish Committee

B.cc. Ruth Vick

July 11, 1968

Mrs. Frank T. Adams
3609 Moss Side Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23222

Dear Margaret:

Thanks for the note about Frank's major medical claim forms. Mrs. Vick mailed them to you yesterday.

I talked to Frank briefly yesterday -- at the tag end of a telephone call he made to Paul Anthony. Had no opportunity to inquire, really, but I hope things are going reasonably well -- you know, considering the circumstances.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 11, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. John B. White, President
Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Association, Inc.
Post Office Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Dear John:

I have, at last, a definite answer on your request of May 27 for funds in support of O.E.O.A. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide funds.

As I indicated to you, the budget of our Community Organization Project is meagre, and it was the decision of the director of the project, together with the executive director of the SRC, that O.E.O.A. does not come quite within the scope of purposes of the Community Organization Project, either programmatically or geographically.

In addition, being a tax-exempt organization, we have some problem with supporting (financially) organizations actively engaged in litigation -- although we consider this work very important.

I am sorry we are unable to help.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 11, 1968

Mr. Thomas C. Chatmon
Director
Dougherty County Voter Registration Campaign
301 Highland Avenue
Albany, Georgia 31705

Dear Mr. Chatmon:

This si to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending July 8. We are returning you report, along with a copy of our Reporting Requirements and ask that you and members of your organization read, with particular emphasis on Items #6 and # 7. We also ask that the person responsible for your reporting complete that "Weekly Cash Summary" Section.

May we have this information at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw
Enclosures

July 11, 1968

Mr. John B. Cunningham, Jr.
Director
Franklin County Voter Education Project
Box 25
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

After considering you request, the Voter Education Project has decided to reinstate your grant which includes all provisions stated in the previous grant letter.

Because the name and deposit slips of your bank have been misplaced, please forward same to our office.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw

July 11, 1968

The Rev. J. C. Hope
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
1304½ Gloucester Street
Brunswick, Georgia 31520

Dear Mr. Hope:

Mr. Jordan has asked that I send you the enclosed photograph and biographical sketch. He has also asked that I reconfirm Saturday, September 21, 1968 as the date he is to speak at the NAACP convention in Glynn County.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mjc

July 11, 1968

Mr. Jerry R. Daniels
State Democratic Headquarters
226 Capitol Boulevard
Nashville, Tennessee 37217

Dear Mr. Daniels:

Thank you again for your help in determining the number of Negro delegates from Tennessee to the Democratic National Convention.

Enclosed are the reports on the 1964 and 1966 elections in the South which I mentioned and also voting and registration figures which you might find helpful. The two newsletters include tables on Negro elected officials in the South and voter registration in the 1960's.

All the material included here is concerned with voting. However, the Southern Regional Council has published numerous reports on civil rights issues--including the Memphis garbage strike and employment in Chattanooga. Enclosed is a complete list of Council publications which are available.

Please let us know if there is any further information we can furnish for you.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

July 11, 1968

Miss Lynnette Taylor

Executive Director
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.
1814 M Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Lynnette:

Belatedly, please find listed below my travel expenses incurred when I addressed the Southwest Regional meeting of the Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., in New Orleans, June 4, 1968.

Air Travel (receipt attached) - - - -	$ 71.40
Sheraton-Charles Hotel (receipt attached)	16.12
Airport tranpsortation	13.00
Total	$1100.52

Needless to repeat, it was a great pleasure having a part in the New Orleans and Atlanta meetings and I look forward to participating again.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

July 12, 1968

Mr. Wm. P. Robinson, Sr.
Director
NDEA Civics Institute
Virginia State College
2401 Corprew Avenue
Norfolk, Virginia 23505

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for your letter of July 9. I look forward to sharing in the program. Marvin Wall, VEP's Director of Research, will accompany me. We plan to arrive via United's flight No. 647 at 7:40 p.m. on the 22nd and to depart on the 28th via United's flight No. 679 at 5:15 p.m. Please reserve two singles for us.

Enclosed is the biographical data per your request.

We look forward to seeing you on the 22nd.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

July 12, 1968

Dr. Dante Germonatta
Route 1, Box 944-C
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Germonatta:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending 7-15-68.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO;rh
Enclosure

File

July 12, 1968

Mrs. Etta K. Haynes
c/o Mr. Ernest Morial
103 Cleaver Building
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mrs. Haynes:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending 7-15-68.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rh
Enclosure

Jim

July 12, 1968

Dear Don:

This is to confirm our agreement that you will participate in the Quail Roost Retreat for the Stouffer Foundation Scholars, July 19 through 21st. Your participation will involve being present at Quail Roost throughout the Retreat serving as a counselor and a resource person for the scholars. Thad Olive of my staff will also be present to help us with the program.

For your services, we will pay you $75.00 per day for the three days, plus your round-trip air transportation. Lodging and meals will be provided at Quail Roost.

Enclosed is a copy of the tentative agenda. I look forward to talking with you Monday afternoon, regarding the agenda.

Regards to Kate and congratulations to both of you on your newborn.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Consultant
Stouffer Foundation, Inc.

Mr. Don Harris
138 Washington Street
Dorchester, Mass. 02121

cc: Anne Forsyth

July 12, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery-Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending 7-15-68.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rh
Enclosure

July 12, 1968

Dear Don:

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For your services, we will pay you $75.00 per day for the three days, plus your air transportation from Boston to Durham. Lodging and meals will be provided at Quail Roost.

Enclosed is a copy of the tentative agenda. I look forward to talking with you Monday afternoon, regarding the agenda.

Regards to Kate and congratulations to both of you on your newborn baby.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Consultant
Stouffer Foundation, Inc.

Mr. Don Harris
138 Washington Street
Dorchester, Mass. 02121

July 12, 1968

Mrs. F. A. Johnson
109 E. Blake
Columbus, Ohio 43202

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

There is only one copy of, Singers in the Dawn left, and we would like to keep that on file. However, I have xeroxed a copy of the publication for you at .10 per page, and enclosed it herein. You may forward $1.20 to us at the above address (note change of address).

Thank you for writing. If we can be of further assistance to you, please don't hesitate to write again.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

July 12, 1968

Mr. Richard Compton
c/o Institute of Government
University of Mississippi
Oxford, Mississippi

Dear Sir:

I understand that the Institute of Government has recently completed a study on sheriff offices in eleven southern states dealing with organization, selection, tenure, operation, problems, etc.

The Southern Regional Council is currently planning a study on the administration of criminal justice in the South with emphasis on employment practices of various agencies and the attitudes toward suspects of the personnel employed by those agencies.

We would appreciate a copy of these studies, plus any other materials you may consider helpful in our proposed study.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention in our request.

Respectfully yours,

Clarence F. Seeliger
Staff Assistant
Administration of Criminal
Justice

July 12, 1968

Oklahoma Journal
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73110

Gentlemen:

Please send us the morning and evening editions of the Oklahoma Journal for July 10, July 11, and July 12. We will appreciate your billing us for these papers.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Department

DR/km

July 12, 1968

Oklahoman Times
500 N. Broadway
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125

Gentlemen:

Please send us the morning and evening editions of the Oklahoman Times for July 10, July 11, and July 12. We will appreciate your billing us for these papers.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Department

DR/km

July 12, 1968

World Tribune
315 S. Boulder Avenue
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74102

Gentlemen:

Please send us the morning and evening editions of the World Tribune for July 10, July 11, and July 12. We will appreciate your billing us for these papers.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Department

DR/km

July 12, 1968

Mr. Greg Olds
Texas Observer
504 West 24th Street
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Mr. Olds:

We are, of course, delighted that you can undertake the Texas summary. Space limits are 1,500 words. I think you can get a general notion of what is wanted from reading the Texas section in the enclosed NEW SOUTH. What we are after is news of a race-related nature, but more than that, an interpretation from an on-the-scene reporter of trends, signs, and portents for the future. If you want to talk about it more, call me collect in Atlanta 522-8764.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl. - Winter NEW SOUTH

July 12, 1968

Mrs. Robert E. Rush
310 Bailey Road
Rosemont, Pennsylvania 19010

Dear Mrs. Rush:

Below I have complied a bibliography of books that I think may be appropriate for school libraries at the various age-grade levels on Negro history, bibliography of important Negroes in all fields of endeavor past and present, and fictional works by and about Negroes.

<u>American Negro Short Stories</u>
by John Henrik Clark (Hill & Wang)

<u>Tear Down the Walls</u>
by Dorothy Sterling (Doubleday)

<u>The Burden of Race</u>
Gilbers Osafky (Harper & Row)

<u>Climbing Jacob's Ladder</u>
Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn
(Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc.)

<u>The Young Citizen</u>
By Algennon D. Black (Ungar)

<u>One America</u>
by Brown and Roucek (Prentice-Hall)

<u>The Negroes' Civil War</u>
by James M. McPherson (Pantheon)

<u>A Time to Speak</u>
by Charles Morgan, Jr. (Harper & Row)

The Struggle for Equality
by James M. McPherson (Princeton University Press)

Killers of the Dream
by Lillian Smith (Norton Press)

Eyewitness: The Negro in American History
by William Loren Katz

The Negro and the Schools
by Harry S. Ashmore

The American Negro Reference Book
by John P. Davis

You may obtain books by or about:

Paul Laurence Dunbar
W. E. B. DuBois
Ernest J. Gaines
Langston Hughes
Martin L. King, Jr.
James Baldwin
LeRoi Jones
William Melvin Kelley
Lerone Bennett, Jr.
John P. Davis
Rudolph Fisher
Claude McKay

Some of the schools that are teaching Negro history are:

Clark University in Worchester, Massachusetts
Western University in Kalamazoo, Michigan
Detroit University in Detroit, Michigan
All public schools in Frankford, Kentucky.

A list of textbooks suggested to be used are:

Story of the Negro - ARNA Bontemps
(for upper and junior high schools)

The Story of the American Negro by Earl S. Miens
(for upper elementary and junior high schools)

The Unfinished March by Carol F. Drisko & Edgar Toppin (the history of the Negro in the U. S.

during the civil war and Reconstruction)

Time of Trial, the Time of Hope
by Milton Meltzer and August Meier

A Pictorial History of the Negro in America
by Langston Hughes and Milton Meltzer

Teachers' Guide to American Negro History
by William T. Katz (resource materials for teachers and administrators)

The Negro in America: A Bibliography
by Elizabeth W. Miller

A Layman's Guide to Negro History by Edwin A. Salk

The Negro Heritage Library, Educational Heritage, Inc., Yonkers, New York

The Negro in Modern American History, a textbook
by Irving Sloan

Black Notes, by Joanne Grant

You many get free copies of Negro history books by writing the sales promotion department of your local Coca-Cola Company.

While we don't feel it necessary, you do have our permission to state in your bibliography that we recommended the books.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

July 12, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,375.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Florida Council on Human Relations for 1968.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosures 2

July 12, 1968

Mr. Tom A. Collins
Research Analyst
Legislative Council
301 State House
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Collins:

Your letter to Mr. Anthony has been referred to our research department.

Under separate cover, I am mailing you a copy of our state's abortion laws. I hope this will prove helpful to you. We would appreciate a copy of your report when it is finished; it will be very valuable to us.

Thank you for writing, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

July 12, 1968

The Municipal Year Book
1140 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the 1968 Municipal Year Book (Vol. XXXV).

Our check for $12.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

JCS
Encl. - $12.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

July 12, 1968

League of Women Voters of the
United States
1200 17th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Ladies:

Please send us the following:

One (1) copy - Crisis: The Condition of the American City	$1.00
One (1) copy - Jobs and Hard Cash	.15
One (1) copy - Migrant Workers	.15
TOTAL	$1.30

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $1.30 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

July 12, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us one each of the following:

Three-Bedroom Tenant House Plan No. 7182 (1968) A 1.38:1072	$	.05
Election Law Guidebook, 1968 90-2:S/doc.76		.50
Cooperatives in Agribusiness A 89.4/2:33		.40
	$	.95

Ninety-five cents in stamps is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $ .95 in stamps.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

July 12, 1968

Alfred A. Knopf, Inc.
501 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Algiers Motel Incident, by John Hersey.

Our check for $5.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.95 check.

This is available in paperback at about .90¢ -

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Research

July 12, 1968

The University of Miami
Miami, Florida

Dear Sirs:

We would like to have a copy of the detailed study of the majority-Negro districts in three Deep South states which was made by a special team of educators from your university.

Please send us a copy and bill us, if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Research: BSM

July 12, 1968

The National Council of Churches
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Sirs:

We would like to obtain a copy of the booklet just published which attempts to provide answers to the individual interested in combating racial discrimination in the social and economic structure. If there is a charge for, Crisis in America: Hope Through Action, please bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

July 12, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council
on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the North Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosures 2

July 15, 1968

Mrs. Lorella M. Salazar
Sandia Corporation
Box 5800
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87115

Dear Mrs. Salazar:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

You will be interested to know that the initial response here is favorable. I am hopeful, in fact, that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself? I think it would be helpful to have thumbnail sketches on the members of our Steering Group, for the purpose of identifying them to potential supporting foundations.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 15, 1968

The Reverend Henry J. Casso
210 St. Ann Street
San Antonio, Texas 78201

Dear Father Casso:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

You will be interested to know that the initial response here is favorable. I am hopeful now, in fact, that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself? I think it would be helpful to have thumbnail sketches on the members of our Steering Group, for the purpose of identifying them to potential supporting foundations.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 15, 1968

Mr. Mario Obledo
Post Office Box 12074
Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mario:

Somehow I failed to hear, until after we had adjourned Saturday night, that you are to head up the new Legal Defense and Education Fund. This is to offer belated, but most sincere, congratulations. I am delighted with that news.

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group asked me to undertake. You will be interested to know that the initial response here is very favorable. I am hopeful that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we had anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself, for the purpose of identifying to potential supporting foundations the members of our Steering Group?

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 15, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

August 7th is fine for Jim and me. We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mrs. Martha McKay
Director
North Carolina Manpower Development
Corporation
137 E. Rosemary Street
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Martha:

Thank you again for your gracious hospitality at Quail's Roost. It was a good meeting, and certainly a pleasant one.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mr. Norman Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 40th Street
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Thank you for sharing with me the information about your new Fellows Program. It sounds as if it could be a very galuable thing.

My only other comment would be that I think your selection committee should be representative of several disciplines rather than just Sociology. For that matter, perhaps the most exciting part of the program would be the lack of restrictions placed on your fellows and their research.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mr. Norman Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 40th Street
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

We did have a good meeting and my thanks to all of you who made it so. I am today writing Martha to thank her.

I do hope Dwane will have his final version of the statement by the end of the month. And, I think, BIA and SRC should reserve the right to do any further editing we feel necessary.

Enclosed is a separate letter about your Fellows Program.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

July 15, 1968

Mrs. G. J. Gunning
17 Demorest Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Gunning:

I shall be happy to serve as moderator for your panel at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 12th. When the place has been determined, do let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail

July 15, 1968

Mr. Basil Whiting
The Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Basil:

Reservations have been made for you and Cliff at the Regency for the nights of July 29th and 30th. I look forward to seeing you both on the 30th and 31st.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Clifford Campbell

July 15, 1968

Mr. David W. MacEachron
The American Friends of Wilton Park, Inc.
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. MacEachron:

I shall be pleased to serve as a member of the Fellowship Committee of the American Friends of Wilton Park, and to do anything possible to assist the program.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mr. David F. Freeman
Director
Council on Foundations, Inc.
393 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10001

Dear Dave:

Events in the formation of the Council in the Southwest are moving very rapidly and, I think, remarkably well. We are being asked to provide Ed Stanfield, of our staff, for a period of six months so that they can have full-time staff assistance beginning in the fall. While doing so would be a matter for our Executive Committee to decide, I suspect we will honor the request because of our high regard for the group out there, and the potential significance of the existence of such an agency.

Since it is likely that Ed Stanfield will be a principal in this new organization, I think it would be very helpful to him to have

an opportunity to meet you and for you to hear from him some of the things that are taking place now and are being planned. Ed is available to come to New York at your convenience, and can do so before the end of the month in the likely event that you will be vacationing in August. I shall be out most of the remainder of this month, but Ed can be reached at this address. If you think the idea has merit, I would appreciate your writing to him.

I hope all goes well in your new job.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Miss Eleanor A. Eaton
Assistant Secretary
Community Relations Division
American Friends Service Committee, Inc.
160 North 15th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Eleanor:

We did have a good meeting at Quail's Roost on Friday, though there is a naivete within the group that can be disturbing. The group drew up the first draft of a statement that primarily calls for a privately sponsored national commission on migration. As soon as I have a copy, on which Dwane Walls of the Charlotte Observer is now working, I will share it with you. We must, I think, give considerable thought to how this idea and those who are interested in sponsoring it ties in with your suggestions.

I shall be out of the office most of the remainder of the month. After that, either in late August or very early September, I will

definitely plan a visit to Philadelphia after checking with you and Barbara on dates. Perhaps, also, the next several weeks will give me an opportunityh to come up with some further reaction of value to both your idea and the one now emerging from the conference group.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mr. Mark Israel
Regional Office
U. S. Department of Health, Education
and Welfare
Civil Rights Division
50 - 7th Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mark:

I was delighted to learn that you are in Atlanta. I am writing this because I will be out of the office most of the time until the end of the month. After that, by all means let's get together.

In the meantime, welcome again.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 15, 1968

Mrs. Geoffrey L. Harlan
Promotion Assistant
Indiana University Press
Tenth and Morton Streets
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

RE: Your request for our mailing list to be used for announcing Ben Muse's book <u>The American Negro Revolution: From Nonviolence to Black Power, 1963-1967</u>

Dear Mrs. Harlan:

If you would send us 4500 envelopes we will address and zip them.

Please let us know what is your desire.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

July 15, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

My copy of your current newsletter came today, but first page is blank. How about sending me another?

It seems as though you are managing to keep busy! My word!

If you ever drop by home, give Bea my regards.

Warm regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 15, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House, Apt. 103
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

Good to hear from you and glad to know you're back. Jim tells me the promotion with Indiana Press is in the works.

We're moving along toward the summer issue with spring, somewhat after the equinox, I'll admit, not far ahead. Summer with your article most likely will be out in September.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

July 15, 1968

Mrs. Louise Whittington
Route 4
Amelia, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Whittington:

After a careful reading and rereading of your formidable work, I must conclude it is unsuitable to our press needs and purposes. In our quarterly, NEW SOUTH (a copy is enclosed), we rarely use material of this length. In fact, our last issue was the only one we've ever devoted to single lengthy material. That article examined poverty in the rural South and efforts being made to alleviate it, pre-empting another long look at the same subject which is a major portion of your piece.

For what its worth, I've pencilled some of my comments and nit-picking in the margins. I'm sorry we can't use this, but will welcome anything else you might want to offer us.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl. - 1.

July 15, 1968

Mr. Clarence A. Laws
1725 Poplar Street
Dallas, Texas

Dear Clarence:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

I am especially grateful to you, and sure Joe Witherspoon is too, for giving us the benefit of your long experience in this field.

You will be interested to know that the initial response here is favorable. I am hopeful, in fact, that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself? I think it would be helpful to have thumbnail sketches on the members of our Steering Group, for the purpose of identifying them to potential supporting foundations.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 15, 1968

Misses Karen and Sherri Lyn Sturks
6111 Pediatrics
Tampa General Hospital
Tampa, Florida 33606

Dear Karen and Sherri Lyn:

I hope you are not finding the hospital too confining and that you are feeling much better now. I know how it must be for you to be away from your friends and relatives. Please take heart and I am sure the doctors and the nurses will take good care of you and make you well.

Here's hoping you'll have a quick recovery.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

July 15, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
336½ East Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Bill:

Vernon showed me your letter. We're awfully sorry that you are not going to join us here, but I understand your reasons. I look forward to continuing to work with you in your role as research director of NCVEP.

I am enclosing the manuscript that you wanted returned. The printer is sending you all but about 1,000 copies of "Know Your North Carolina Government." The shipment should come to about 6,000 copies. Let me know if you don't get the expected number of booklets.

Best regards to John. We'll start trying to think up another excuse to get you back for a visit in Atlanta soon.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 15, 1968

Dean Quintus C. Wilson
School of Journalism
West Virginia University
Morgantown, West Virginia 26506

Dear Dean Wilson:

I enjoyed our conversation at Georgia State Monday. I'm glad to have had the opportunity to meet you.

Under separate cover I am sending some publications of the Southern Regional Council which I think will help to explain the purpose of the organization. Also enclosed is a copy of the monthly newsletter of the Council's Voter Education Project, which I am doing much of the writing for during my internship this summer. The VEP, in addition to funding voter registration drives, compiles statistics on Southern voter registration and Negro candidates and office-holders.

If any of our publications or research materials will be of help to you, please let me know.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

file

July 15, 1968

Mr. Michael Rauh
1910 Sanderland Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mike:

It was good hearing from you today.

Enclosed are the VEP guidelines per your request, and our pamphlet on "How to conduct a Voter Registration Campaign," that will be of some help to your friend.

Lets get together next time I am in Washington.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

July 15, 1968

Mr. Ronald A. Ott
Box 869
Peabody College
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Ott:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of the pamphlet "Know Your Rights" and our publications list.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 15, 1968

Mr. Milton Meltzer
263 West End Avenue
New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Meltzer:

As requested we are enclosing a picture of Mr. Maynard Jackson.

We can obtain for you a photo showing the nine Negro representatives to the Georgia House, but not the two Negro senators. However, Ebony magazine has published a picture of all eleven Georgia legislators on its cover, and you might want to write to Ebony for a print.

Moreover, we have a group photo of twelve Negro legislators---from Georgia, Tennessee and Texas---made at a VEP meeting in 1966. If you would like to have a print, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 16, 1968

Mr. T. D. Armstrong
1213 - 31st Street
Galveston, Texas 77550

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

I, for one -- and not the only one, really appreciated your making the deliberations lighter with your sense of humor!

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Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. William Canby
College of Law
Arizona State University
Tempe, Arizona 85281

Dear Bill:

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I look forward to our continued association and, I hope, friendship.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. Vine Deloria, Jr.
2440 South Monroe
Denver, Colorado

Dear Vine:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

I am sure you realize how indebted all of us are, and no doubt will continue to be, for the guidance you are able to give us concerning Indian tribes and leaders.

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Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

The Reverend Charles E. Sanders
Route 1
Stilwell, Oklahoma 74074

Dear Charles:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

I am sure that all of us will be relying on you and Stuart Trapp, who have had so much experience with the Bureau, to counteract all bureaucratic tendencies in the organization.

You will be interested to know that the initial response here is favorable. I am hopeful, in fact, that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself? I think it would be helpful to have thumbnail sketches on the members of our Steering Group, for the purpose of identifying them to potential supporting foundations.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. John B. White
Post Office Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Dear John:

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Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. R. P. Sanchez
233 South 17th Street
McAllen, Texas 78501

Dear Bob:

I am still amazed at the productivity of our meeting in Dallas last weekend and, needless to say, honored and excited by the task that the group decided to let me undertake.

Your generosity in taking time from your practice to attend the meeting is certainly to be appreciated. Your contributions were very helpful.

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Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. Robert A. Beer
6501 Hillcrest
Dallas, Texas

Dear Bob:

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You will be interested to know that the initial response here is favorable. I am hopeful, in fact, that we shall be able to get under way even faster than we anticipated.

Would you have time to send me a very brief paragraph about yourself? I think it would be helpful to have thumbnail sketches on the members of our Steering Group, for the purpose of identifying them to potential supporting foundations.

Do you happen to know any of the officials of the Zale Foundation? Donald Zale is Vice-President and Treasurer and one of the Directors. Other Directors are Leo Fields and Marvin Zale. Ben Lipshy is President, and Gerald Ray is

Executive Administrator. I would like very much to get an appointment with the appropriate person -- perhaps sometime in the week of August 4. Could you "pave the way"?

Thanks again for the dinner Saturday evening. It was a real treat.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 16, 1968

Mr. C. Vann Woodward
Department of History
Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Woodward:

Just a note to say that I thought, almost alone among the great number of panelists that seem to be on tv talking about race and related problems these nights, you made great good sense on the one you were on. I particularly admired what you said about business, and agree wholeheartedly.

Would there be any chance of getting you to write a brief piece for our quarterly, NEW SOUTH, on the historical fallacy of depending on private enterprise to do what government so badly needs to do?

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

July 16, 1968

Mr. Daniel Feldman
Chairman
Department of Social Studies
Jamesville-Dewitt Middle School
Randall Road
Jonesville, New York 13078

Dear Mr. Feldman:

Complied below is a bibliography of books that might be useful in a study of the American Negro. The list includes books on Negro history and fictional works by and about Negroes.

<u>American Negro Short Stories</u>
by John Henrick Clark (Hill and Wang)

<u>Tear Down the Walls</u>
by Dorothy Sterling (Doubleday)

<u>The Burden of Race</u>
by Gilbers Osafky (Harper & Row)

<u>Climbing Jacob's Ladder</u>
by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn
(Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc.)

<u>The Young Citizen</u>
by Algennon D. Black (Ungar)

<u>One America</u>
by Brown and Roucek (Prentice-Hall)

<u>The Negroes' Civil War</u>
by James M. McPherson (Pantheon)

The Struggle for Equality
by James M. McPherson
(Princeton University Press)

Killers of the Dream
by Lillian Smith (Norton Press)

Black Protest, History, Documents, and Analyses
1619 to the Present, edited by Joanne Grant

The Negro and the Schools
by Harry S. Ashmore

The American Negro Reference Book
edited by John P. Davis

A list of textbooks suggested to be used are:

Story of the Negro - by Anna Bontemps
(for upper and junior high schools)

The Story of the American Negro by Earl S. Miens
(for upper elementary and junior high schools)

The Unfinished March by Carol F. Drisko and Edgar Toppin (the history of the Negro in the U. S. during the Civil War and Reconstruction)

Time of Trial, Time of Hope by Milton Meltzer and August Meier

A Pictorial History of the Negro in America
by Langston Hughes and Milton Meltzer

Teachers' Guide to American Negro History
by William T. Katz (resource materials for teachers and administrators)

Eyewitness: The Negro in American History
by William Loren Katz

The Negro in America: A Bibliography
by Elizabeth M. Miller

A Layman's Guide to Negro History
by Edwin A. Salk

The Negro Heritage Library, Educational Heritage Inc., Yonkers, New York

The Negro in Modern American History, a textbook
by Irving Sloan

Black Notes by Joanne Grant

You may also get free copies of Negro history books by writing the sales promotion department of your local Coca-Cola Company.

We hope we have been able to help, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Vera Thurmond
Research Assistant

VT:js

July 16, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Bill:

Congratulations on the part you played in making the workshop for elected officials a very impressive venture. You, Edgar and Mrs. Johnson are very dilligent people.

Mr. Robert Hicks of the Bogalusa Voter League is interested in having some monetary assistance from VEP. Would you, at your convience, contact Mr. Hicks and see if they are desirous of submitting a proposal to us. His address and phone number are:

924 East 9th Street
Bogalusa, Louisiana
732-7449

Please say hello to Edgar and Mrs. Johnson.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

July 16, 1968

Mr. C. B. Robinson
1909 East 5th Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37404

Dear Mr. Robinson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 15, addressed to Mr. Jordan. At the present time the Project is unable to grant your request to maintain your office through August 1 for voter education, nor is the Project able to take care of one month's rent and an extension of salaries, telephone services, etc.

We appreciate the interest and efforts of your organization. If we can be of further service, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw

July 16, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

July 16, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to the North Carolina, South Carolina and Louisiana statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

July 16, 1968

M E M OR AN DUM

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

July 16, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

You are familiar with our reporting requirements so there is no need for any detailed explanation. We look forward to having the pleasure of working with you another year.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.

July 17, 1968

TO: VJ

FROM: WJR

It seems that Mrs. Collins must first talk with other people in the Port Gibson area about becoming involved in such a venture. Then, they have to decide whether there are enough people to involve in a drug store, doctor's office, etc., in a town of Port Gibson's size. If this is done and people can be found to operate the constitutive businesses, they can apply for funds through (1) the Small Business Administration in D. C., (2) The Methodist Church's Committee on Race and Religion (Bob Palmer is treasurer) and/or (3) the Episcopal Church, which has funds for black economic development, I think. Other than that, I don't know.

I must admit that Mrs. Collins dreams whenever she dreams.

July 17, 1968

The Rev. George Noflin
President
West Feliciana Voters League, Inc.
c/o Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Noflin:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 17, 1968

Rep. Zan Wesley Holmes
State House of Representatives
State Capitol
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Rep. Holmes:

Congratulations on your election to the Texas House of Representatives.

In the past the V.E.P. News, the monthly newsletter of the Voter Education Project, has run pictures of Negroes elected to the state legislature. We are currently working to meet a deadline for the July newsletter and would appreciate it if you could send us a recent mug shot of yourself as soon as possible for that issue.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

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July 17, 1968

Mr. Jimmy L. McLain
Co-Chairman
DeKalb County Voters League
Voter Education Project
2079 Delano Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Mr. McLain:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the DeKalb County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct voter registration in DeKalb County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks, to run from July 22 to September 16, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's expense @ $ 50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	(7) Task Force Workers $ 15.00 per week	840.00
c)	Secretary's expense (@ $30.00 per week)	240.00
d)	Office Rent	75.00
e)	Office Supplies	50.00

f)	Printing and Postage	$ 50.00
g)	Telephone	30.00
h)	Transportation	315.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner, whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

July 17, 1968

Miss Margaret Mealey
Executive Director
National Council of Catholic Women
1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Miss Mealey:

First of all, we wish to thank you for your gracious letter and the enclosed list of your state leaders. Secondly, we would like so much for you yourself to come to the meeting. It would be very great not only for us but also for the State Councils of Catholic Women in the South. The dates are October 23-24 and the place is the Atlantan Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.

We do not have travel funds but we do take care of your hotel bill and meals.

Please think through this and let us know. We assure you of a great welcome, if you can find it convenient to be with us.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET:rh

P. S. We inadvertently left Tennessee off of our request. Please send us these names also. Thank you.

July 17, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Cates
c/o AFSC Project
Box 818
Pembroke, North Carolina 283722

Dear Mr. Cates:

In keeping with your request of July 9, I am pleased to enclose the attached information.

If you desire further information you should contact the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, 52 Fairlie Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosures 4

July 17, 1968

Public Affairs Pamphlets
381 Park Avenue, South
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send:

100 copies of Public Affairs Pamphlet No. 358
(PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES THROUGH COOPERATIVES
by Philip J. Dodge) @ 18¢ $18.00

Check enclosed.

Sincerely,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization Project

JL/rh

July 17, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Jack D. Middleton
1700 Asp Avenue
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

Dear Jack:

I recalled this morning that you wanted a list of the Steering Group for the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council when it was appointed by Professor Witherspoon. Those appointed were:

Mario Obledo, Austin, Texas
Rev. Henry J. Casso, San Antonio, Texas
Mrs. Lorella M. Salazar, Bernalillo, New Mexico
R. P. (Bob) Sanchez, McAllen, Texas
Clarence A. Laws, Dallas, Texas
Rev. C. William Black, San Antonio, Texas
John B. White, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
T. D. Armstrong, Galveston, Texas
Rev. Charles E. Sanders, Stilwell, Oklahoma
Stuart Trapp, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
Vine Deloria, Jr., Denver, Colorado
William Canby, Tempe, Arizona
Robert A. Beer, Dallas, Texas

This group had a meeting last weekend and covered a great deal of ground. Professor Witherspoon is going to send a report to the Ad Hoc Committee as soon as possible.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

Encl: Factsheet on " Panola Land Buyers Association"
prepared by John Zippert, Assistant Director,
Southern Cooperative Development Program,
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

July 17, 1968

Mr. David F. Freeman
Director
Council on Foundations, Inc.
393 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10001

Dear Mr. Freeman:

John Griffin, of the Southern Education Foundation here in Atlanta, has suggested to me that you might have some ideas relative to the attached factsheet.

Any help or suggestions you could give would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

July 18, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

We are, today, ordering for each member of the Lillian Smith Award Committee a copy of Clement Eaton's The Waning of the Old South Civilization, 1860-1880's. Also, each member of the Committee is getting a copy of this letter as a means of informing them of your request.

Congratulations on the Rockefeller Foundation grant. I am delighted.

Warmest regards to both you and Mrs. Dabbs.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Members of Award Committee

July 18, 1968

Clerk
United States Supreme Court
Supreme Court Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Would you please send us a copy of the Court's decision in the case of Jones vs. Mayer Company?

Thank you very much for this courtesy.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj

Reading file

July 18, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street -- Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,275.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Virginia Council for 1968.

Please sign the enclosed receipt-copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

Enclosures (2)

via air mail

July 18, 1968

Mr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
The University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Thank you for the impressive report on continued development.

I am delighted to be able to make the following commitments on behalf of the Southern Regional Council to the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council:

(1) We are prepared to assign Edwin Stanfield to your group for the period of up to six (6) months, effective at the time he begins his new assignment. During the course of this time we will be responsible for Ed's salary and benefits.

(2) We will be responsible for moving expenses for Ed from Atlanta to Austin.

(3) We will provide an amount of up to $300.00 per month for a period of no more than six (6) months for travel and related expenses.

(4) We will provide an amount of up to $100.00 per month for a period of no more than six (6) months for incidental expenses.

In addition to the formal commitments above, I hope you know how eager I and all of us here are to be of any possible assistance to your group. As I said to Ed this morning, a lot of money gets spent in this business and it is a real pleasure to make a commitment when you feel as certain as I do in this instance that so much good will come from it.

Needless to say, I think you are getting a good man. This is an incredible opportunity for Ed, and I believe he will do a superior job for you.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Edwin Stanfield

July 18, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Chris:

Relative to your letter of July 10, enclosed is a factsheet about the Panola Land Buyers Association which, in part, addresses itself to your questions.

I would have some doubt about Tuskegee's being the most desirable sponsor for a project should one be sponsored. Certainly, Tuskegee has a number of skills which would be desirable and which should be incorporated into any effort. My reservations relate in large part to how deeply convinced I am that the proper structure, the proper leadership, and the proper technical assistance are extremely essential but difficult to come by. Should we, you, and others continue to be interested in this idea, I think we should give very serious consideration to finding a competent

individual to spend several months putting together a structure and a proposal.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Ray Marshall
Mr. Boudinot P. Atterbury
Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Mr. S. M. Miller

July 18, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

The matter concerning Indiana University Press has been taken care of as you will see from the enclosed copy of Jim Wood's letter to them.

I am delighted to hear that you had a good trip. It must have been extremely interesting following our series of incredible events from that vantage point. You can be sure that we have had more than our share of depression around 5 Forsyth Street.

There is no doubt that if we were smart we would all close shop for two months and use Europe as a place to think as well as to relax.

Warmest regards to you and Mrs. Muse.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 18, 1968

Mr. Duane W. Beck
Executive Director
Community Council of the Atlanta
Area, Inc.
1000 Glenn Building
120 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Duane:

I am sharing your request concerning the Associate Director with several people in this office. They will be in touch with you if we can make any good suggestions.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

July 18, 1968

Mr. Daniel H. Pollitt
c/o Rauh and Silard
1001 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Dan:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses at last week's meeting.

As always it was good of you to come.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $100.00)

July 18, 1968

Dr. Robert J. Harris
Dean
Faculty of Arts and Sciences
University of Virginia
416 Cabell Hall
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses at last Saturday's meeting.

Your suggestion of John Hope Franklin as our speaker does have a great deal of merit, and I will keep it in mind as I try within the next week to make some decision.

It was good to see you and it was good of you to come.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $120.85)

July 18, 1968

Mr. Will Campbell
Committee of Southern Churchmen
P. O. Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Will:

In cooperation with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, the Southern Cooperative Development Program and the American Friends Service Committee we are attempting to secure $130,000 in loans or grants for the Panola Land Buyers Association to purchase 901 acres of land in Sumter County, Alabama.

We must secure the $130,000 by July 30 or lose the option to buy the land to resettle forty evicted families (200 people). The enclosed fact sheet from the Southern Cooperative Development Program explains the plight of these families.

If you have any ideas or suggestions about how we can secure these funds please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh
Enclosure

July 18, 1968

Mr. Harry Huge
Arnold & Porter
1229 Nineteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Harry:

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John Lewis

JL/rh
Enclosure

same ltr to Harold Fleming

July 18, 1968

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

In cooperation with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, the Southern Cooperative Development Program and the American Friends Service Committee we are attempting to secure $130,000 in loans or grants for the Panola Land Buyers Association to purchase 901 acres of land in Sumter County, Alabama.

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John Lewis

JL/rh
Enclosure

July 18, 1968

The Reverend Gaylord Wilmore
Commission on Race and Religion
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Wilmore:

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Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

July 18, 1968

Mr. David Hunter
Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. Hunter:

In cooperation with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, the Southern Cooperative Development Program and the American Friends Service Committee we are attempting to secure $130,000 in loans or grants for the Panola Land Buyers Association to purchase 901 acres of land in Sumter County, Alabama.

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Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

July 18, 1968

The Reverend Shirley E. Greene
Director for Economic Concerns
Department of Social Justice
National Council of Churches of Christ
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Greene:

In cooperation with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, the Southern Cooperative Development Program and the American Friends Service Committee we are attempting to secure $130,000 in loans or grants for the Panola Land Buyers Association to purchase 901 acres of land in Sumter County, Alabama.

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Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

July 18, 1968

Mr. Michael H. Friedman
317 E. 12th Street
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Friedman:

In response to your letter of June 25, I am pleased to enclose the requested information.

If we can be of further service please call on us.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL.rb

P.S. For further information, you might wish to contact Mr. Charles Prejean, Executive Director, The Federation of Southern Cooperatives, 52 Fairlie Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303

July 18, 1968

Dear Lillian:

Thanks so much for your kind note. I had hoped to respond last week but my travel schedule has not allowed me much time in the office. I look forward to the possibility of my coming to Detroit to be of whatever service I can.

Enclosed is a copy of my resumé, which may be of some help to you as you plan the program.

You must return to Atlanta at a time when meetings and work will not be of such top priority. Then, and only then, can we really show you the town.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Edward D. Benbow
4643 Vancouver Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48204

July 18, 1968

Mr. Barnard Gilliard
c/o Mr. Q. V. Williamson
855 Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Gilliard:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 for your travel to the Republican National Convention in the capacity as a student intern with Alderman Q. V. Williamson.

Please keep an accurate record and receipts of all of your expenses for a report on same when you return.

We shall expect from you, upon your return, a narrative report of your experiences at the Convention. We would like the report as soon after you return as possible.

Best wishes for a successful trip.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Q. V. Williamson

July 18, 1968

Dr. James E. Boyd
Carroll County Voter Education Project
West Georgia College
Carrollton, Georgia 30117

Dear Dr. Boyd:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $3,500 for the program of citizenship education, voter registration and leadership training, to be implemented by the Department of Continuing Education, consistent with the proposal submitted to us for funding.

We are very pleased to make this grant. It is the first of its kind for us. We anticipate a successful project, and will look forward to receiving both research and financial reports as the program progresses.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $3,500.00

cc: Mr. C. O. Johnson

July 18, 1968

Mr. Jimmy L. McLain
Co-Chairman
DeKalb County Voters League
Voter Education Project
2079 Delano Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Mr. McLain:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 19, 1968

Miss Dicy Chester
Box 211
Leary, Georgia 31762

Dear Miss Chester:

Enclosed is a sample of the door knob tag I promised to send you while I was in Calhoun County.

Regards to all the workers.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

July 19, 1968

TO: VEP State Directors

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

Ben Grinage has resigned as director of the Arkansas VEP effective July 12. The enclosed newsclipping explains his reason for doing so and I hope he is happy in his new position. You might want to write to him and offer your congratulations.

While we have not yet found a successor to Ben we are hopeful of finding one soon. In all probability, the Arkansas VEP will not close down because of Rev. Grinage's departure.

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

July 19, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel
Director
Louisiana VEP
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Bill:

In your letter to Vernon anent the St. Landry situation you forgot to enclose the proposal. May we have it for our records?

Thanks.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR?mjc

July 19, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send the booklet "Know Your North Carolina Government" to plates in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FCR

12. Government

19. Paid Subscribers

July 19, 1968

Mr. Payton B. Cook
548 Boundary Street
Milledgeville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Cook:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 13, 1968 inviting Mr. Jordan to attend a meeting of the Milledgeville Branch of the NAACP.

Because of a previous commitment Mr. Jordan has instructed me to extend regrets of his not being able to accept your invitation on either of the suggested dates.

Much luck in your registration campaign.

Sincerely,

Roslyn L. Warrior
Research Assistant
Voter Education
Project

/rlw

July 19, 1968

Mr. Peter Johnson
Chairman
The Louisiana Rights Organization
to Sustain Equality
c/o Mr. William Samuel
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project'

MW:mjc

July 19, 1968

Mr. David F. Freeman, President
Council on Foundations, Inc.
393 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10001

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Paul Anthony is on vacation, as he indicated he would be. In his absence, his secretary shared with me your response of July 17 to his letter of the 15th.

I appreciate your willingness to see me and am eager to meet you, tell you about the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council (as they have decided to call it), and get the benefit of any guidance you can give. You are probably right, however, in suggesting that a later date, when I might be able to find others in New York to whom I need to talk, would be advisable. I shall try to plan such a trip for the second or third week of September and will write to you when my plans are more definite. Will you be back in New York after Labor Day?

Let me explain that the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council is not the same as the Southwest Council of LaRaza, which has received a large grant from The Ford Foundation. We are acquainted with the latter, of course, and it was my privilege to attend one of their organizational meetings in Denver last spring as a consultant. Some of the members of the Board of the Southwest Council of LaRaza are also on the Steering Committee of SIRC. The Southwest Council of LaRaza is made up of Mexican-Americans only and will be concerned with problems of that minority. The SIRC will include Negroes, American Indians, and Anglos, in addition to Mexican-Americans.

It will seek cooperation among all of these ethnic groups and their several organizations toward securing more favorable responses from Anglo-dominated institutions to the problems and aspirations of all minorities.

Thank you for your interest. I look forward to our meeting.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

July 19, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
302 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,625.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Mississippi Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

Enclosures (2)

July 19, 1968

Mr. Andre Schiffrin
Pantheon Books
22 East 51st Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Andre:

The attached started out to be a few pages of notes to myself, then seemed to me to be worth filling out as a possible magazine piece, and then kept on boiling out.

I think it says a lot of what I mean to say in the book. It is a departure for me, far more personal than anything I've ever written. I realize that it is a rather drastic switch in style, but I would like very much to include it in the book -- perhaps as the guts of the section on the Movement. A shorter chapter of analysis would accompany it. It may be that this is the only way, this personalized, highly impressionistic approach, to say what I need to say about the movement. Maybe it would go as a prologue or afterword. Anyhow, please let me know what you think.

I am proud of it as a piece of writing. If it is too abrupt a change of pace for the book, I think it may well work as the first chapter of the next book I want to do -- on the Movement.

Meanwhile, I am pushing on with the chapters I had outlined, and will be sending you some of that shortly.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW/mmj
Enclosure

July 19, 1968

Mr. Roy Innis, Director
Congress on Racial Equality
200 West 135th Street
New York, New York

Dear Roy:

I am serving on the Editorial Board of Katallagete, Be Reconciled, the Journal of the Committee of Southern Churchmen. A copy of the journal is enclosed for your information.

I would like to know whether you would be interested in writing an article dealing with the relevancy of the fall elections to the needs and aspirations of the unrepresented people of this country. I am familiar with your views in this area and feel that a piece by you for our fall issue, which will focus on this topic, will be of great value.

Our editor, Professor James Holloway of Berea College, will be in touch with you in a few days.

You did a wonderful job on Meet the Press last Sunday. Good luck in your new role.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

July 19, 1968

Mr. Arthur Moore, Editor
The World Outlook
Board of Missions
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Moore:

I need some information in preparing to teach "The Mandate for Missions" by Eugene L. Smith. I would like to know:

1. The number of Automous Conferences in our Methodist Church.

   I was at the Uniting General Conference in Dallas but could not stay the full time. I read in the Daily Advocate that fourteen national churches received automous relationship. Please give the names of the countries.

2. I would like to know the names of Bishops in our younger churches around the world.

   Please turn these requests over to some of your staff.

I am so glad that you worked with me in your Emory days as we faced the problem of race relations. One thing comes to my mind is your electionaring to elect Helen Mankin to Congress.

Blessings on you. The World Outlook is magnificant.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

July 19, 1968

UNA - U. S. A.
1401 Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a check for $5.00 covering the bill for 200 Declarations of Human Rights. We will pick them up.

I appreciate so much the help and cooperation you give me. Thanks a heart full.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

July 19, 1968

Publications Service
United Nations Association of U.S.A.
345 East 46th Street
New York, New York

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a check for $4.25 for which please send me the following materials:

1 Human Rights Poster.....	$ .25
1 Human Rights Year Kit	2.00
1 Photo Show Kit	2.00
	$4.25

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

July 19, 1968

UNESCO Publication Center
317 East 34th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a check for $1.50 (the 50¢ is for postage), for which please send me the 12 photos implementing the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

July 19, 1968

Miss Peggy Billings
Board of Missions
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Miss Billings:

The Fellowship of the Concerned will have its annual workshop here in Atlanta October 23-24 at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

Our General Subject will be "World-wide Human Relations Year."

We need you and hope you can be with us. We need you on a panel on the evening of the 23rd. This year, 1968, has been a year of international conferences. You were at the Peace Conference at Prague, we will have some one from the World Council meeting who attended "The Peace Council Through Law." You three would need to get together the evening before the workshop begins.

All day of the 23rd we will be listening to the heart-breaking problems. The night session will give many rays of hope.

On the 24th we will, we hope, have guide lines developed to help us solve some problems at least. We surely must work to this end.

I am very happy that you will be the Christian Social Relations leader for the Woman's Division. You are so well prepared.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

July 19, 1968

Miss Nina Ryan
1823 Jefferson Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Miss Ryan:

Enclosed are several W-4 forms. Please have Mr. Philip Ryan fill one out and return to us.

Mrs. Vick, our Treasurer, tells me that we know to whom the rent is to be paid, but do not know the amount. Please give us this information, plus let us know about the things we discussed on the telephone.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosures - 5.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
2 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

July 19, 1968

Mr. Norman H. Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Enclosed is our check for one-half of the expenses incurred, to date, in our joint program.

I was able to get to Atlanta last Friday night by driving to Greensboro and catching a plane there. So, everything worked out very well.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $328.69)

July 22, 1968

Mr. Hank Berliss
Research Assistant
Department of Economics
Haverford College
Haverford, Pennsylvania 19041

Dear Mr. Berliss:

The books and pamphlets listed below can be obtained from the Office of Economic Opportunity, Washington, D. C. 20506:

Project Headstart - Community Action Program

Joblessness and Poverty in Urban Slums
Manpower Administration

Hunger and Malnutrition in America
U. S. Government Printing Office

President's War on Poverty Program
Office of Economic Opportunity

Communities in Action - Community Action Program

Is There a Job in Your Future? - Job Corps

The Disadvantaged Poor: Education and Employment
Chamber of Commerce of the United States
1615 H Street, N. W., Washington, D.C. 20006

Economic Opportunity in Cities - U. S. Conference of Mayors, 1707 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., 20006

Low-Income Life Styles - Lola M. Irelan,
U. S. Department of Health, Education, and
Welfare, Washington, D. C. 20402

Parent and Family-Life Education - U. S. Dept.
of Health, Education, and Welfare, U. S.
Government Printing Office, Washington,
D. C., 20402

The Church and the Anti-poverty Program
U. S. Dept. of Labor, Manpower Administration,
Washington, D. C. 20210

Poverty: Hunger and Federal Food Programs -
Committee on Labor and Public Welfare
U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington,
D. C.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a xeroxed list of books and pamphlets that may be helpful to you.

Thank you for writing; if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

Encl. - 1.

July 22, 1968

Miss Nan Hunt
775 123rd Avenue
Treasure Island, Florida 33706

Dear Miss Hunt:

I do, indeed, recall your poetry. I am glad to hear that you have continued writing with the obvious success you have achieved.

Your essay on violence, I think, touches the core of what is wrong with our society today. It is, however, basically a philosophical piece, and I don't think we are the proper market for it. Do you have material more concretely related to the South and to civil rights?

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

Encl. - 1.

Same letter also sent to:

Bill minor
4766 King's Highway
Jackson, Miss

Dwayne Walls
Charlotte Observer
Charlotte, N. C.

George Kelly
Richmond Correspondent
Norfolk Virginia-Pilot

July 22, 1968

Mr. William Shelton
Arkansas Gazette
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Shelton:

This will confirm our recent telephone conversation regarding the news summary for the Southern Regional Council. Primarily, of course, our interest is race-related and civil rights related news, but we also would like significant political developments and happenings within the several federal anti-poverty programs. Length should run approximately 1,500 words. We are, as I mentioned, working toward an August 9 deadline.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js
Encl. - 1.

Poverty Issue - New South

July 22, 1968

Mr. Jack Bass
The Charlotte Observer
605 Columbia Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jack:

It's reminder time -- the summer round-up deadline is August 9.

Sincerely yours

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr:js

July 22,1968

Mr. Ray Kenkins
Editor
The Alabama Journal
Montgomery, Alabama 36102

Dear Ray:

It's reminder time -- thd summer round-up deadline is August 9.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr:j

July 22, 1968

Mr. James Logan Morgan
1201 Dennison
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Dear Mr. Morgan:

I am sorry to say that SRC has not published anything on Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas.

I hesitate sending you xerox newsclippings from the Arkansas Gazette since you live there and have probably read what we have.

I suggest you write to the Arkansas Council on Human Relations, 1310 Wright Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72206.

Enclosed is our latest publications list. If after reading it you desire some additional information, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js
Encl.

July 22, 1968

Mr. Jack Middleton
1700 Asp Avenue
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

Dear Jack:

Many thanks for the collection of articles on American Indians from the Kansas City Star. It is very helpful.

I hope you will pass along anything like that to me in the future.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 22, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is a directory of the permanent professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

I am in the process of revising the directory. Please let me know, by return mail, if you have any additions or changes in the Florida Council on Human Relations.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary
Department of Field Activities

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July 22, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. McCown:

Enclosed is a directory of the permanent professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

I am in the process of revising the directory. Please let me know by return mail if you have any additions or changes in the Georgia Council on Human Relations.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary
Department of Field Activities

cl

July 22, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Enclosed is a directory of the permanent professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

I am in the process of revising the directory. Please let me know by return mail if you have any additions or changes in the Louisiana Council on Human Relations.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

cl

July 22, 1968

Mr. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Matthias:

Enclosed is a directory of the permanent professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

I am in the process of revising the directory. Please let me know by return mail if you have any additions or changes in South Carolina Council.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

cl

July 22, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

Enclosed is a directory of the permanent professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

I am in the process of revising the directory. Please let me know by return mail if there are additions or changes in the Tennessee Council on Human Relations.

Please send me the exact titles of the associates in Memphis and Chattanooga.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

cl

July 22, 1968

The Reverend Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council
on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $6,475.00, the quarterly payment on grant-in-aid ($3,475.00) and Rural Advancement Project grant ($3,000.00) for 1968 to the South Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosures 2

July 22, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

I have your letter of the 19th and the proposal for organizing student human relations groups. As always, your proposal is well thought-out and documented.

As you know, Paul Anthony has to decide about all special grants. He is on vacation this week, but will be back next week. I shall call this matter to his attention, and you should have his answer by about the end of next week.

I don't know what the condition of the "till" is at this date, but I hope we can help on this. The opportunity to carry out such an educational program, in cooperation with the Little Rock School Board, seems to me worth following up.

All good wishes,

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Paul Anthony

July 22, 1968

Miss Arnell Ponder
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Ponder:

Enclosed is a list of the professional staff persons of the state councils on human relations.

You may wish to invite all or some of the persons listed to the SCLC convention.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

cl

via air mail

July 22, 1968

Mr. Paul Anthony
c/o Sheraton British Colonial Hotel
#1 Bay Street
NASSAU
Bahamas, Islands

Dear Paul:

Sorry to bother you with this, but thought you might like to think about it a little.

I have asked Vernon, John Lewis, and Emory to write you memos about the questions related to their projects.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

July 22, 1968

MEMO TO: EMartin

FROM: VEJordan

Attached herewith is a check made payable to the Southern Regional Council, in the amount of $500.00, to the Voter Education Project and is designated for the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

Enc.
Ck. $500.00

cc: RHV

July 23, 1968

MEMO

TO: Mrs. Knox
Mrs. N. Morgan

Marvin Wall will be in Savannah at the Manger Hotel for the rest of this week, July 24 - 26, 1968.

July 23, 1968

Mr. Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman
National Democratic Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Dear Mr. Martin:

Pursuant to your most recent conversation and with request with Vernon, he asked that I forward the enclosed information to you.

If additional information is needed, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

July 23, 1968

Mr. Charles M. Crump
Apperson, Crump, Duzane & Maxwell
Exchange Building
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Mr. Crump:

Mr. Vernon Jordan referred your letter of July 19 to me for reply.

Enclosed are all the voter registration statistics for Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi which I believe you requested. The table on the first page of the V.E.P. News gives a state-by-state rundown of Negro voter registration increases since the passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. The charts give a county-by-county breakdown of Georgia's Second Congressional District (for the counties requested) and the most recent voter registration figures Southwide.

Please let us know if we can be of anytfurther assistance.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

July 23, 1968

Mr. Joseph Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
1203 Maxine Road
Martinsville, Virginia 24112

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

It is mentioned in my letter of April 6, 1968 that we need separate registration figures for each of the three localities in which you have been working--- Henry County, Patrick County and Martinsville. We are unable to record the registration figures that you have turned in until we have separate figures on each of the three localities. In looking through your reports I do not find this breakdown and I would appreciate receiving it as soon as possible.

Please congratulate Mr. Hobson for me and tell him we thank him very much for his letter of June 24, 1968.

Best of luck to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 23, 1968

Mr. Elbert Felton
2050 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10029

Dear Mr. Felton:

Your letter requesting a report published in April, 1964 has been passed along to me for reply. From the information in your letter we are unable to ascertain which report you desire. If you could give us more specific information about the report we will try to get it to you. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 23, 1968

United Air Lines
First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

I am returning an unused ticket for a round-trip flight from Atlanta to Norfolk. I will appriciate your crediting this to our account.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 23, 1968

Mr. Mark Kramer
CBS News
Election Unit
518 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Kramer:

As requested we are enclosing our latest registration table on the South. We will check to make sure that your name is on our mailing list for VEP publications. If we can ever be of assistance please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 23, 1968

Mrs. Virginia M. Johnson
Chairman
Pittsylvania County Voters League
P. O. Box 97
Chatham, Virginia 24531

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

The problem of Jehovah's Witnesses' refusing to register is a southwide problem. We get reports from all over the region saying the same thing. It is not a major problem, but it is indeed a universal problem. I have no clippings or information indicating that they are agreeing to register to vote.

I am sorry to say that I have no information or advice that might be helpful in dealing with religious objections. We discussed this matter at a meeting of the Voter Education Project Advisory Committee several years ago but I do not recall that any solution was forthcoming.

I notice that your letter shows the number registered in your county as 345. However our card on Pittsylvania County shows a registration of only 223 during the period beginning April 11 and ending May 2. Was some of the county registration in Danville or is our card incomplete? I would appreciate a note from you to clear this matter up. Thank you and best of luck to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 23, 1968

Mr. B. J. Battle
Chairman
Voter Registration and
Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 1995
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Battle:

We have shortened your letter to one page. Please sign it and return it to us in the envelope provided. If space permits we will use it in the next issue of the newsletter.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

July 23, 1968

Miss Frenzella Volter
Director
New Iberia Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
701 Walton Street
New Iberia, Louisiana 70560

Dear Miss Volter:

Your report dated July 2, 1968 has in the space for the number registered "N/A." I judge that this means "not available." If a figure is now available please send it to me so that it can be entered in your project reports.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 23, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for an excellent report.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 23, 1968

Mr. McNeill Smith
P. O. Drawer G
Greensboro, North Carolina 27402

Dear Mr. Smith:

Mr. Jordan has requested that I send you the enclosed copy of "Know Your North Carolina Government." He has also asked me to tell you that we have added the three names you sent to the mailing list for the V.E.P. News.

Sincerely,

Margaret Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

JULY 23, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Rome, Georgia

The following is a report of a field trip I made to Rome, Georgia on my return from Tennessee. In as much as I was passing through Rome I felt it would be convenient for me to make an inspection of the project there. So, on the evening of Tuesday, June 18th, I stopped in Rome.

FIELD REPORT # 23

While I was in Rome I talked with Mr. Donald Jackson, Director of the Floyd County Voter Education Project, and Miss Curtina Moreland, a VEP summer intern. Both persons talked with me at length about the progress of the drive in Floyd County and their impressions of that drive It is safe to say that Mr. Jackson's concern in talking with me was more in the area of the drive per se, while Miss Moreland's focus tended to deal with her role in the drive, the community's reaction to her, and the progress, if any that she was making as an intern in Floyd County. I found both Mr. Jackson and Miss Moreland very sincere and extensibly

very dilligent workers.

BLACK REGISTRARS APPOINTED

The week prior to my going to Rome, the Floyd County Board of Registrars appointed three Negroes to serve as deputy registrars in the Floyd County black community. Mr. Jackson told me that these registrars were serving as "floaters" in housing projects, schools and recreation centers. They have been working on Wednesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. and are expected to aid the voter project through its duration. These deputy registrars are not being paid by the county, instead they are being paid by a local organization headed by Mr. Jackson, at the rate of six dollars each. From all indications the acquisition of these registrars will be a positive factor in the registration of more black people in Floyd County.

300 REGISTERED TO DATE

As of Tuesday, June 18th, the Floyd County Project had been responsible for registering more than 300 persons. I was told that this brought black registration up to 2,543 out of a 4,900 potential registration. If these figures are correct, that would make black registration just over 50% of the voting age population and would certainly indicate that there is still a lot of work to be done in Floyd County. Accordingly Mr. Jackson and Miss Moreland were confident that there would be a further signifigant increase in black registration by the end of the project. Stated in numbers, Mr. Jackson was hoping for the project to yield at least 1,000 new voters. In my opinion this is not at all

unrealistic and I feel fairly confident that the Floyd County project will do well in its drive.

NO PROBLEMS WITH LOCAL REGISTRAR

From my conversations with Mr. Jackson and Miss Moreland, I came to the conclusion that the project in Floyd County was having no problems with members of the Board of Registrars. As a matter of fact, Mr. Jackson does not anticipate any problems with the registrar, and cites his willingness to appoint black registrars as being an indication that members of the black community and the board of registrars can work together. All of this is of course heartening, for I am convienced that if the electorial process is to be made relevant to the needs of black people, then black people must have easy access to the registration process.

IMPRESSION OF INTERN

Miss Curtina Moreland, whose father is the principal of a Rome elementary school, appears to be a very hard working person. The Fisk University senior told me of her attempts to organize young people in the Rome area. To a large extent she was meeting with some resentment. Resentment, not from the young people, but from elements of the adult community who felt that "strings were pulled" for Miss Moreland to get a job in the Rome area.

Mr. Jackson told me of this and said that many of local ministers did not believe that Miss Moreland had just been randomly selected. They felt that since her father was a principal in a local school he had been instrumental in

getting his daughter a job in the Rome area. Of course this brings something to mind, that if we are to use students in this capacity again, we might, in the interest of community solidarity, refrain from sending interns into areas where they have relatives who have influential positions in the community.

My impression of Miss Moreland is that she is doing the work well. She is helping Mr. Jackson and his local organization and the role she is playing in Rome and other areas of Floyd County is a very positive one, one that is cognizant with the ideals of the VEP.

JACKSON LIKES GRANT MAKING PROCESS

Mr. Jackson had no complaints or criticisms of VEP. As a matter of fact he was very pleased with our grant making process, and believes that it is in the best interest of the grantor and the grantee. Furthermore Mr. Jackson was quite pleased with the way we budgeted the money for the project. In short, he had nothing but praise for VEP. (I suppose I would be too, if I had an organization that had received 1600 dollars to conduct a voter registration drive in my community).

And thats the way it was on Tuesday, June 18th, 1968.

Fleecy locks and black complexion
cannot forfeit nature's claim
Skin may differ--but affection
Dwells in black and white the same

Were I so tall as to reach the pole
Or to grasp the ocean at a span
I must be measured by my soul
The mind is the standard of man.

Bernard S. Lee

July 23, 1968

Mr. Maclovio Baraza
President
Southwest Council of La Raza
2406 Miracle Mile
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Maclovio:

Herewith is a copy of my reply to Armando DeLeon's letter of July 18, of which he sent you a copy. Our Counsel, Mr. Haas, will write to him also, and I hope all of this proves helpful.

I want to keep you apprised of the development of an allied organization, the "Southwest Intergroup Relations Council." It turns out that I am to be closely associated with it, and I certainly hope and intend that we shall have a mutually helpful, cooperative relationship to the Southwest Council of La Raza.

You will recall that Dr. Witherspoon and I sent you an invitation to attend the May 26-27 meeting of an ad hoc committee to form such a group. We appreciated your encouraging response and were sorry that you could not attend. Attached is a list of the persons who did attend.

At that meeting it was decided to proceed to form such an agency along the lines of the working paper (a copy of which was sent you). A steering committee was appointed and it met in Dallas on July 13. The steering committee hammered out details sufficient to draw up articles of incorporation, and we hope to have a meeting of the ad hoc committee in August to amend and approve a draft of those articles.

As you know, the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council will bear some resemblance to the Southern Regional Council. Its policy Board and (eventually) its staff will be representative, however, of Mexican-Americans and American Indians, as well as Negroes and Anglos. Its real target, I think it fair to say, will be the Anglo-dominated institutions of the Southwest, but it will be supportive of organizations of the three ethnic minorities,and, hopefully, will foster cooperation among them toward commonly-desired social change.

Among other actions, the steering committee decided to locate its office temporarily in Austin, Texas, pending further deliberation as to the most suitable permanent site. They also asked the Southern Regional Council to assign me to them for a period of six months, with the expectation that I shall become their first executive director at the end of that period. The SRC has already agreed to do this, and I am already preparing to move my family to Austin.

Needless to say, the prospect of undertaking such a job is exciting and challenging to me. I'll need a lot of help and advice, so I look forward to seeing you the first time I get to Arizona.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

ES/mmj
Enclosures

July 23, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Many thanks for a very interesting quarterly report and for the attachments, particularly the audit report.

I am intrigued by the notation, at the end of my copy of your speech at your annual meeting, that you "almost gottfired for your trouble." I thought it was a good speech. Who almost fired you? Why?

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

ES/mmj

July 23, 1968

Mr. James Logan Morgan
1201 Dennison
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Dear Mr. Morgan:

There is a book about Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. The book is published by Doubleday and Company, and the title is, "Fulbright, the Dissenter," and its written by Hames Johnson and Bernard M. Gwertzman.

Enclosed is a xerox copy of the book review.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js
Encl. - 1.

July 23 1968

Subscription Department
St. Petersburg Times
St. Petersburg Florida

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-month subscription beginning with your July 21 1968 issue to be mailed to Mr. Edwin Stanfield at the address indicated above.

Payment will be made upon receipt of an invoice

Very truly yours

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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July 23, 1968

Mr. James O. Farmer, Jr.
1314 Shirley Street
Columbia
South Carolina

Dear Mr. Farmer:

Enclosed is information on Negro voter registration after the outlawing of the white primary in South Carolina.

Further information may be obtained from the following sources:

Price, Hugh D., The Negro and Southern Politics

Key, V. O., Jr., Southern Politics

Watters, Pat, and Reese Cleghorn, Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Matthews, Donald R., and James W. Prothro, Negroes and the New Southern Politics

Ladd, Everett Carll, Jr., Negro Political Leadership in the South (a study of Winston-Salem, N. C. and Greenville, S. C.)

United States Commission on Civil Rights Report (1961) Voting

The above sources contain good general information and sizeable bibliographical information on your specific subject.

The following people might also give you useful information:

James Felder, Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125 Washington Street
Columbia

Joseph Wright
Wright-Donaldson Funeral Home
Beaufort
South Carolina

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

July 24, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

Your letter of resignation came into the office while I was out of the city. Upon my return I was of course shocked, or should I say surprised, to hear you had resigned as director of the Arkansas Voter Education Project. I suppose there is nothing one can say about your action because people resign from jobs every day. But it is not every day that a black man resigns from a job to take a job with someone like J. William Fulbright.

It is very hard for me to say how I feel about your new job. No doubt you know that I am not very enthusiastic about it. But perhaps some people are capable of meaningful change and we should not judge their actions as another case of political expediency. In the case of Fulbright, I hope his actions are an indication that he has undergone meaningful change.

Ben, the only thing I can do is wish you well. I hope you are happy in your new job and that it serves as a stepping stone to something bigger and better. Do let me hear from you sometime.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

It was good seeing you while I was in Louisiana and I am very sorry we didn't get a chance to spend very much time together. I had hoped we would be able to discuss the registration situation in New Orleans, which from our vantage point looks pitiful. If you have any thoughts on the registration drive that is being conducted in Wards 10 and 11 please share them with me.

Give my very best regards to Lolis and Bob.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

Mr. Robert Howard
391 Oak Street
Social Circle, Georgia

Dear Mr. Howard:

When I visited with you and members of your project you mentioned something about trying to secure federal examiners for the Social Circle area. If you have made attempts to secure the examiners, what has been the response of the Justice Department, if any?

Here's hoping to hear from you real soon.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

Dr. Jewel L. Prestage
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Thank you very much for the updated list of elected officials in Louisiana. I meant to write to you last week to tell you how I enjoyed being with you while I was in Baton Rouge. But unfortunately it completely slipped my mind. At any rate I did enjoy myself, thought the workshop was terrific and do hope we will be seeing each other very soon in the future.

Incidentally, VEP cannot assume financial responsibility for any ice buckets that may have been broken during the weekend of the workshop.

Take good care of yourself.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

Mr. David Dennis
3529 St. Anthony
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dave:

It was good seeing you and Ike over the weekend. I am very sorry we did not get a chance to do a bit more rambling but circumstances being what they were, it was impossible. Perhaps the next time you return to Georgia Lester Maddox will have decided how foolish it is to close the bars at midnight.

I am sorry you forgot your notebook with all of that material in it. I hope it has not inconvenienced you too much. It is being mailed from our office today and you should be getting it by the end of the week.

Here's hoping to hear from you real soon.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

The Reverend Rudolph Allen
Director
HRC - Project Vote
Columbus Council on Human Relations
4244 St. Mary's Road
Columbus, Georgia 31907

Dear Mr. Allen:

It was a pleasure to have met with you and discuss the voter registration drive conducted by the Columbus Council on Human Relations. While your drive was not as successful as had been hoped, still I think it was a worthwhile effort and I hope you will convey this to all persons who worked so diligently during the course of your project.

I am sorry I did not get to meet Rev. Stubbs. Please convey my very best to him. Hopefully if I ever return to Columbus I will get to meet him and other persons who are engaged in the registration drive in Muscogee County.

Good luck in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 24, 1968

Mrs. Shelley MacArthur
Reference Librarian
Georgia State College Library
104 Decatur Street S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. MacArthur:

Under separate cover I am sending a copy of Know Your Georgia Government which you requested in your letter of July 22.

There will be no charge.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

MEMORANDUM

July 24, 1968

TO: State VEP Directors

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: VEP Meeting of Black Elected Officials

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council is making preparations for a three-day regional meeting of all Negro elected officials. In all probability this meeting will be held around the first week-end in December, 1968, and will be held in Atlanta.

The purpose of the meeting will be not only to merely convene black elected officials, but also to try to deal effectively with some, if not all, of their major problems. Accordingly, we hope to have experts from the South and other regions to

help us deal with these problems.

Rev. John Morris, an Episcopalian minister who has previously been involved in planning for meetings of this size, is serving as coordinator for this meeting. No doubt, John will be contacting you for your assistance as plans for the meeting materialize. I hope you will keep in mind the need for this meeting to be a successful one, and will do whatever you can, as selflessly as possible, to help John make this meeting a successful one.

If you have any suggestions to make relative to programming for the meeting, please do not hesitate to let us know. Perhaps there are problems that are peculiar to the officials in your state; in trying to accomodate a regional group we might fail to consider that problem, unless you told us that it was a problem. Now is a good time to find out from elected officials in your state what they consider to be the most depressing problems, and as you receive this information, pass it on to us.

Z Of course all state directors will be invited to attend the meeting.

July 24, 1968

The Honorable Mills B. Godwin
Governor, State of Virginia
State Capitol
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Governor Godwin:

We have received a request from interested and concerned citizens, through the Virginia Council on Human Relations, for the provision of consultation service in penology to study current problems of the state prison in Richmond. We would like to do this -- with your consent.

In addition to the consultants listed on the attached, there are many others that we are able to use, including Mr. James V. Bennett, President of the Joint Commission on Manpower, Joseph Lohman, University of California, and our own staff, all recently called upon to study the prison system of the state of Arkansas and make recommendations for the solution of some of their problems.

Because most of our consultants prefer the Governor's sanction -- rather than that of someone else on a lower level before they assume such a task, we trust that you will extend your permission within a few days in order for us to select the team that will make the most objective appraisal possible of the status of the prison, and provide, as soon as possible, a report that may be useful not only to the citizens, but, to you and your staff as well.

Respectfully yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Projection the Administration of Justice

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JULY 24, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to South West Georgia

The following is a report of a field trip I made to South West Georgia on Wednesday, June 26, 1968. Two areas were visited; these were Dougherty County and Calhoun County. I went first to Albany in Dougherty County, and then during the evening I conducted a workshop in voter registrtation techniques in the town of Morgan in Calhoun County.

FIELD REPORT # 24

DOUGHERTY COUNTY

In Albany I talked with Mr. Thomas C. Chatmon, director of the Dougherty County voter registration drive, and his daughter, secretary to that drive. Needless to say, the conversation was dominated by Mr. Chatmon as he and his daughter gave me an account of what they had been attempting and what they had been doing. After one and a half weeks of operation, both he and his daughter

felt that the drive was progressing well.

OVER 215 REGISTERED

During the course of the one and one half weeks, 215 persons had been directly registered by the Dougherty County voter registration drive. For the most part these persons were registered in a very traditional way, approaching them through a canvass, attempting to persuade them to register, and if they consented, taking them to the registration office. Mr. Chatmon of course was disappointed in having registered so few people, but he indicated that new techniques were going to be used and he was hopeful of registering over 2,000 by the termination of the campaign.

He indicated that one of the ways he was hopeful of increasing registration in the drive would be through massive publicity in the newspapers and the use of a sound truck. He indicated that the sound truck would be equipped with records containing speeches of Martin L. King, Jr. and he would make direct appeals for persons to register to vote, based on the Albany experience with Dr. King. He told me "I'm going to try to hit these Negroes right smack in the face--I wanna play these speeches and I want to tell them that this may be the

last chance for them to do something in the interest of Dr. King." Whether or not the playing of these speeches will result in increased registration remains to be seen. I must admit though, that it does sound like a good idea, even though it may be on the emotional side. But then, we're an emotional people.

COMMUNITY COOPERATION

While the brunt of the work is being done by Mr. Chatmon and his task force, there has been some indication of community support for the drive. At the time I was there the support was for the most part verbal, and came from six groups; the Ministerial Alliance, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, The Criterion Club, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity The American Legion, and the Federated Womens Clubs of America. Mr. Chatmon was not at all hopeful that these groups would trun their verbal support into something more active. Nonetheless he was still anxious to see whether they would lend some assistance to the drive.

COUNTY OFFICIALS DENY NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRATION

The Dougherty County registrar was approached about making available registration books in the black community. For the most part his response has been negative. As a basis for the denial of the request made by Mr. Chatmon he cites 1964, when the books were open from 7 to 9 p.m. each night, and only one person

registered. I asked Mr. Chatmon whether this had really happened in '64 and he denied that it had, and added further more, even if it had happened four years ago this still does not prevent the board of registrars from acting positively on his request.

IMPRESSIONS

Personally, I don't think neighborhood registrations will be acquired for the black community in Dougherty County. I think that this county is very fearful of an increased Negro vote in the area. So, unless some pressure is brought to bear upon the registrar and the power structure of Albany, nothing will be done relative to neighborhood registration.

Another impression I have is that Mr. Chatmon and his staff are doing the work. The one regret I have is that more people are not involved in this drive. But I suppose he has been doing something to rectify this. Still it is unfortunate that more people in the area cannot be involved in this registration drive. (Albany fits in like all of the other cities where there have been crises. These cities are still lagging behind in registration. It would seem that having been through the crisis situation the residents of these

communities would have long ago thought to increase the registration to a point where blacks could bargain with whites from a position of power--political power. Instead this has not happened. One can look at Baton Rouge, Birmingham, Shreveport, Jackson, Atlanta, Albany, and many other cities throughout the region, and find this to be the case.)

My feeling is that notwithstanding the odds the project is operating against, there will still be a fairly profitable drive in this community. It is not going to be what is needed to bring about changes in the political leadership structure, but it may be enough to awaken someone.

CALHOUN COUNTY

I traveled to Morgan, the county seat of Calhoun County, to conduct a workshop in voter registration techniques for the Calhoun County Voter Registration Project.

At a small Baptist church on the outskirts of Morgan I met with about 40 adults and one teenager. These persons were interested in doing something to bolster their registration drive. They told me that they had been canvassing, but still it was very hard for them to ascertain whether they had been effective in conducting their voter registration drive. I must admit, I was almost floored to see such a large group of adults gather at a church to discuss something like voter registration techniques.

What I saw that evening brought to my mind the cause for a good deal of hope and enthusiam. In the past it was always very difficult to get adults out to voter registration meetings. It was particuliarly difficult to get them to do the actual work. Here in Calhoun County members of the adult community seem to have taken the ball and they are just as enthusiastic as many of the young people. So, that evening I did not mind spending two and a half to three hours just talking about things that they could do during the course of their voter registration drive.

We talked about canvassing techniques, approaching people, about registering and trying to convince them to do so, and we also discussed ways in which they could publicize their drive. On the whole I felt that it was a very fruitful session. We were able to iron out a lot of problems that field workers had been having and we were also able to give many of the field workers what I think can be called self-confidence, in doing their work. So on a whole it was a good evening.

For the most part I am very impressed with the people in Calhoun County. They have spent their money very prudently, and at the time I was there I don't think they had spent 300.00 dollars, although we made the grant to them sometimes in May, I think. Obstensibly they are concerned about having a good registration drive. They recognize that they outnumber whites in the county and are interested in running black candidates for municipal as well as county offices. Of course this is to be encouraged, and I think that given a fairly successful termination of this project, we will see blacks running for political offices in that county, and possibly winning.

The people in Calhoun County are also very enthusiastic about Maynard Jackson's candidacy for U.S. Senate. They dislike Talmadge with a passion Belzebulb would have to envy and are hopeful that Maynard will be able to "unseat

the rascal."

And so ends this report.

EMISSION: NOCTURNAL AND REAL

Here again is another night
another helpless night,
another hopeless night--
a journey to the pitiful land of tears.

Depression and insomnia draw the long night
into a collision
with my past
and I bleed the blood of woe.

Time affords no comfort
for men have exploited time.
Fear is no longer a comfort
for all my fears are for others, not self.
Hope is a thing of long past
for it has been declared dead.
Love is no solution
for its name has been defiled.
Hate only burns that blood
and yields the charred salt of yesterday.
Blood, blood swirls through my eyes
Blood, blood swims through my mind
and another night ends
as I walk up to Pyrrha
And shake his hand.

WJR

XXXXXXXXXXXXX

July 24, 1968

Mr. Paul W. Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council
on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, S. C. 29201

Dear Paul:

Many thanks for the quarterly program and financial reports, and for keeping alive the hope of getting Alice's audits!

The suggestion that we send the ASCS information to other state council directors is a good one. We are doing so. We have a USDA report which lists all ASCS payments of $5,000 or more, in case you have need of a list that comprehensive.

I hope you did catch a fish or two in my honor. Is a crab considered a fish?

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

July 24, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Tennessee.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council
on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, N. C. 27401

Dear Will:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senatory John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of North Carolina.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
302 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Mississippi.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Louisiana.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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Enclosures

July 24, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Georgia.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Florida.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Arkansas.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

The Reverend Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

At the suggestion of Paul Matthias, I am sending herewith some information concerning payments made to wealthy farmers by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for not planting acreage. Included are an explanatory speech by Senator John J. Williams of Delaware and a list of all payments of $50,000 or more in the state of Alabama.

Should you have use for such information, we can make available to you a list of all payments in your state in excess of $5,000.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

July 24, 1968

Mr. Anthony Frigeri
208 Tanyard Avenue
Ozark
Alabama 36360

Dear Mr. Frigeri:

Enclosed is the information on Negro voter registration you requested. You may obtain information on reapportionment from: The Congressional Quarterly Service, 1735 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006. Their background report entitled "Representation and Apportionment" should give you the facts you need.

Information on the amendments to the Alabama Constitution since 1965 may be obtained from: Mrs. Mabel Amos, Secretary of State, State Capitol Building, Montgomery.

A brochure giving basic facts about the Southern Regional Council is enclosed.

Good luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

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July 25, 1968

Mr. Marvin M. Rosen
Director of Personnel
Metro-Goldwyn Mayer, Inc.
1350 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Rosen:

In reply to your inquiry of July 19, 1968 we wish to advise that Miss Patricia L. Franklin was employed by us from November 16, 1965 until January 31, 1967 at a salary of $4,200 per year.

Miss Franklin was an excellent worker and valuable employee.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

July 25, 1968

Mrs. Harry Rusche
729 Clifton Way, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30329

Dear Mrs. Rusche:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some xeroxed materials on the urban schools. We do have books and pamphlets on the urban schools, however, it would prove very costly to copy these and mail them to you. I suggest you come to the office and browse around.

I would suggest your brother obtain the following books:

Racial Isolation in the Public Schools
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights,
Washington, D. C. 20006

Children of Crises by Robert Coles
(Little, Brown and Company)

Death at an Early Age by Jonathan Kozal

Desegregation Research: An Appraisal
by Meyer Weinberg

The Ordeal of Desegregation by Reed Saratt
(Harper and Row)

The Cross of Lassitude by Joan Colebrook

Thanks for calling, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

JULY 25, 1968

FIELD REPORT

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Columbus, Georgia

The following is a report of a field trip I made to Columbus, Georgia on Monday, July 22, 1968. This trip was long overdue, as I had been promising myself that I would go to Columbus for the purposes of making an impression of the project being conducted by the Columbus Council on Human Relations. As usually happens when one is negligent in the discharge of his duties, when I did visit the Columbus area the project had been terminated. Nonetheless I think the conversations I had with the director, Rev. Rudolph Allen, were profitable and adequate in helping me to make my assessment of the registration drive that was conducted in Muscogee County.

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When I arrived in Columbus the first person I tried to approach was Rev. Thomas Stubbs who is chairman of the Columbus Council on Human Relations. After a futile attempt to reach Rev. Stubbs at his home, I was told by Mrs. Stubbs that Rev. Rudolph Allen would be the person for me to talk with concerning the registration drive. Rev. Allen and I agreed to meet at Rev. Stubbs' church, which during the course of the drive served as the office for the voter registration project. So in a desolate little section of Columbus we met and talked for about two hours.

Only 260 Persons Registered

By almost no matter of means was the registration drive conducted in Columbus and Muscogee County a profitable one. Only 260 persons were registered during the six week period. And those 260 persons cost us $2,000. I was told that black registration is somewhere between seven and ten thousand of a potential 23,000. The white registration is between 37 and 40,000 of a potential 47,000. It seems

fairly obvious that a good deal of work needs to be done if these figures are accurate. But clearly campaigns of this sort would be financially prohibitive.

Nevertheless the people who were registered were registered by the traditional canvas-transportation method of registration. I looked at worksheets in the office of the project and all indications are that a good bit of work was done, many people were contacted. Many of the people who were contacted were indifferent to the registration process. Comments typical of the persons who are hesitant or against registering at all. were found on these worksheets. And I think that overall this project did do some work. The only problem was that the work they did was really not enough to register a significant number of people.

No Problems with Registrar.

Rev. Allen told me that the registrar of voters presents no problems to black prospective registrants in Muscogee County. Quite the contrary it appears that the registrar is a fairly cooperative man and all indications are that he did try to work along with this campaign.

I don't know how much enthusiasum he had for it, but nonetheless he did agree to conduct neighborhood registration on Fridays and Saturdays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. for four weeks. I think that in any area where a registrar is willing to agree to some form of neighborhood registration, especially as in the case of Columbus, his actions are an indication of his willingness to work with elements of the black community. So the failur to register more than the 260 persons cannot be traced to the intransigence and noncooperation which is typical of many registrars in the region.

Community Cooperation Not Very Good.

Everything about this drive indicates that it was conducted as well as can be expected. The publicity was not lacking in any discernable respect. Members of the project were able to get radio and TV spots. Seven paid workers were able to solicit volunteers to serve as task force workers and drivers. The area of the registration drive that seemed most vulnerable was that of community

cooperation. I was told one sorority, the Delta Sigma Thetas, activity aided the project and some white, young Democrats from Columbus College worked with the project for one day. Other than that, there was absolutly no cooperation I was told. So if the failure of this drive can be blamed on anything, about the only thing I was able to detect was the lack of community participation (but then many communities have had very successful projects without this community participation).

Black Candidates for Office.

Two Negroes are seeking elective office in Muscogee County. One is the incumbent state legislator Albert Thompson, the other is George Ford who is seeking a post on the county commission. Rep. Thompson is unopposed in the Democratic primary, but he will have two opponents in the general election. All indications are that he will have very little difficulty in winning reelection. Mr. Ford, according to Rev. Allen, will probably win because he feels that "whites are afraid not to elect him." His reasoning in this regard is that for the most part Mr. Ford is someone that the

white leadership has picked to serve on the county commission and it will do everything that it can to see that he is elected. Reportedly whites are cognizant of the need for a black man to serve on the county commission and this is the reason for their support of Mr. Ford. At any rate, if Rev. Allen is correct, the election of Mr. Ford will mean two black elected officials instead of one.

In conclusion let me say that I was not impressed by the work that was done by the Columbus project. Given the circumstances there and conditions for registration, I think the effort expended could have yielded much more in terms of numbers of people registered to vote. Accordingly it would not be very profitable for us to refund this group.

Field Trip # 25
Columbus, Ga. -7

HUE

You are eternal.
You haunt me like a spirit:
You come and go.

But when you come,
You are the same.
You neither survive
Nor do you you live
You appear when I want you!

WJR-1966

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July 25, 1968

Mr. James Hugo Madison
Attorney at Law
1017 Church Street
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Jim:

I regret that during my brief visit in the "Tidewater" area I did not have an opportunity to see you, and more particularly to enjoy the luxury of your swimming pool and your wife's good cooking. Maybe on my next visit time will permit me to be once again favored with the Madisons' hospitality.

Pursuant to your request at the NAACP Convention, I am enclosing our guidelines for grants from the Voter Education Project. I had hoped to discuss the program with you while there, but time did not permit.

My regards to Bill Robinson.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

July 25, 1968

Mr. C O Brown
President
Milledgeville Branch, NAACP
P.O. Box 142
Milledgeville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Brown:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 12 to Mr. Jordan. We have read with interest the materials relating to the personnel and disciplinary situation at the local high school. Unfortunately this is beyond the scope of the Project. However, we are interested and we would very much appreciate your informing us of the outcome.

We appreciate hearing from you, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw

July 25, 1968

Dr. James W. Holly
446 Effingham
Portsmouth, Virginia

Dear Jim:

I regret that circumstances were such that I had to leave the "Tidewater" area before getting to see you. I left a message at your home, hoping to save you any inconvenience in trying to reach me.

I want to formally congratulate you on your election to the City Council of Portsmouth. I am confident that you will serve all the people of Portsmouth well and as a result of that service, Portsmouth will be a better place in which to live.

Pursuant to our conversation about a registration program for that area, I am enclosing a set of the Voter Education Project's guidelines to help you in preparing the proposal for submission to us.

Under separate cover, I am forwarding several past issues of VEP's newsletter, which hopefully will give you some idea of how we serve black elected officials in the South.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure
P.S. We are adding you and Raymond Turner to our mailing list.

July 25, 1968

Mr. Sylvan Burdick
324 Datura Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Burdick:

In response to your telephone call this afternoon, please find enclosed several copies of the guidelines for grants from the Voter Education Project, and our pamphlet "How To Conduct A Registration Campaign." It is our hope that these materials will be helpful to you as you contemplate plans for a voter registration program in the State of Florida.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosures

July 25, 1968

Mr. George A. Bowdler, Jr.
Route 1, Box 485
West Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Bowdler:

Thank you very much for your recent contribution which was designated for the Westside Improvement League's Voter Education Project.

It is indeed wonderful to have your assistance in promoting this program. Let me say again, it is wonderful having this cooperation. It is gratifying to know that we are all working for the same goal - to register the unregistered.

We appreciate your interest and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw

cc: Mr. James Felder
Mr. R. C. Jones

July 25,1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Vernon Jordan

Please send 30 copies of the Orangeburg Report to Mrs. Hobart Taylor at Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

July 26, 1968

Mr. Steven McNichols
236 East 36th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. McNichols:

Your letter to Mr. Anthony of the 24th has arrived while he is out of the city on vacation.

I would like you to know that there is a very high possibility that Mr. Anthony may be in New York on Friday, August 2 and, therefore, will not be able to see you when you are here. I have, however, made a reservation for you at the Atlantan Hotel for Thursday night in case he does not attend the August 2 meetin g in New York. Mr. Anthony returns to the office on Monday, July 29th at which time definite arrangements will be made about the meeting. When this is done I will let you know. I will let the reservation stand until then.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

Air Mail Special

July 26, 1968

Dr. Raymond Wheeler
3724 Warrington Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

Enclosed are the papers Jim promised to send you.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Katharine Martin
Secretary

KM

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July 26, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

A check for the quarterly installment on our grant for the Alabama Council's Rural Advancement Project is being sent under separate cover. There was no trouble in connection with it. It was not due, technically, until August 1, although we have been sending it early each quarter, at Bob's request.

Let me remind you, however, that the RAP project ends this year. I believe the quarterly payment due November 1 will be the last to the Alabama Council. I shall write a memo to Paul, asking that this be clarified and made definite, but you should be thinking about it with Lewis. (I certainly hope some way can be found to keep Lewis doing what he is doing.)

Congratulations! I somehow failed to realize that your marriage was so imminent. I hope that the opportunity to meet your bride will come soon. Meanwhile, tell her that she has my deepest sympathy!

Mrs. Alexander has sent the insurance forms which, inevitably, have to be filled out.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

July 26, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,000.00, the quarterly payment on our Rural Advancement Project grant to the Alabama Council for 1968.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

Enclosures, (2)

July 26, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Arkansas Council for 1968.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

Enclosures (2)

cc: RV

Invoice Recd: _____
Check Mailed: _____

July 26, 1968

The Ripon Society
P. O. Box 138
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

RE: August renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription for one year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

Invoice Recd: _____
Check Mailed: _____

July 26, 1968

Mississippi Publishers Corporation
311 East Pearl Street
Jackson, Mississippi

RE: August 26 renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription to the Jackson Daily News for one year,.and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

Invoice recd: _____
Check mailed: _____

July 26, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

RE: August renewal.

Dear Sir:

Please renew our subscription to Employment and Earnings and Monthly Report on the Labor Force. and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

July 26, 1968

Mr. Joseph D. Sapp
Attorney at Law
1711 Gervais Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Sapp:

Thank you very much for your recent contribution which was designated for the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

We highly appreciate your assistance in promoting this program and it is gratifying to know that we are all working for the same goal---to register the unregistered.

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., let me say again, thanks much for your cooperation.

We appreciate your interest and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

cc: James Felder
Charles Thomas, Jr.

July 26, 1968

Mr. Edgar Taplin, Jr.
6635 Pauline Drive
New Orleans, Louisiana 70126

Dear Ed:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

The conference is intended to provide an evaluation of the program this summer and guidelines for running the project in 1969.

If for any reason you have chosen to terminate your employment before the conference, please write to me as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Mr. Eugene McLemore
239 West Lake Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Eugene:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Mrs. Etta Kay Haines
9908 Avenue E
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Etta Kay:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Dr. Dante Germonatta
Route 1, Box 944-C
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Germonatta:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay in the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear George:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project'

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Miss Clare Miller
3060 Delmar Lane
Apartment B-6
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Clare:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

Miss Lynn H. Whatley
1298 Calhoun Terrace, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Lynn:

The VEP is holding a conference for all of the participants in the Summer Project on August 29 and 30 at the American Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Registration is from 12:00 to 1:00 on the afternoon of the 29th in Terrace A of the hotel. We will arrange for those of you who are not in Atlanta to fly here and to stay at the American on August 29.

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

July 26, 1968

same letter to:

Payla Whatley

Roslyn Warrior

Ruth Harris

Janet Wells

W
Caorl Taylor

Dwitht Jackson

Joyce Brown

John Wesley Wyatt

Alsie Delores Parks

Bernard Gaillard

Willie Davis

William Porter

Laraine Alexander

Sylvia Murrell

Curtina Moreland

cc: RV

Invoice recd: _____
Check mailed: _____

July 27, 1968

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(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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July 29, 1968

Mr. John Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Thank you for what you say in the letter to Miss Stamm, and your note to me. With a lot of awe, I am resolved to live up to your expectations, and those of other good friends who have, like you, encouraged me.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

July 29, 1968

Mr. Andrew Jaffe
912 Healey Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Andy:

This is a good piece. However, we have something in hand that covers not only the side of the march you write about, but also the Washington encampment. It is, I think, more appropriate to our needs.

Come to see us.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

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MEMORANDUM July 29, 1968

To: Members of the SRC-HRC Subcommittee

From: Paul Anthony

Re: Upcoming Meeting of the Subcommittee

All of you, with the exception of Sam Cook who cannot attend, have agreed that Saturday, August 10th is the date of the SRC-HRC Subcommittee. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, beginning at 10:00 a.m., and ending around 4:00 p.m. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. for those who are available.

I look forward to seeing all of you on August 10th.

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MEMORANDUM July 29, 1968

To: Mr. Basil Whiting and
Mr. Clifford Campbell

From: Paul Anthony

This is a hasty effort to react, briefly, to several of the points raised in Basil's letter of July 19th. The primary purpose of this memorandum is to have in writing some ideas and information to which the two of you can respond in the next two days. I, too, am hopeful that by Wednesday afternoon we will have taken care of these matters satisfactorily.

Overall Strategy and Priorities.

The basic strategy of SRC is to seek racial and economic justice for all of the peoples of the region. Our strategy is to use those methods developed by the agency over a period of almost 25 years. They rest heavily on our understanding of the region and the attitudes and needs of the people. I believe, quite strongly, that the Council represents the strongest, single repository of both information and understanding relative to

matters racial of any agency, public or private, in the region. If we have a strength, particularly a unique strength, this is it.

Our priorities for the foreseeable future are two:

(1) To continue and to expand our information and analytical functions with the goal of reaching the largest possible number of opinion-makers, southern and national, on conditions and suggested remedies, This, we hope, will be reflected in our several projects as well as in our identified, separate research and information functions.

(2) To assist, with those skills and methods we believe we have developed, the emerging efforts on the part of the region's minority to seek economic and political power with the realization that our problems will not be solved or greatly modified until such strength is in the hands of black Southerners. Specifically, this goal would relate to our efforts of the several projects -- the largest of which is, of course, the Voter Education Project.

As I have said to members of the Foundation before, in expressing the above goals and strategies, the Council has no illusions about being large enough or strong enough to, per se, change the region or correct its evils. At best we can look for situations that hang in balance, or emerging efforts that show promise and hope that our involvement will make that difference which is corrective and constructive.

Budget Considerations.

I would like an opportunity to discuss with you some slight revisions in the last proposed budget submitted to you. Most specifically, as you note, we must deal with the matter of eliminating $40,000

per year from the proposal. This is possible, of course, if it has to be. However, I would, at least, like an opportunity to discuss with you both the change of holding the requested figure at $340,000 or the chance of making a reduction of less than $40,000.

Perhaps one other comment is in order in this paper about our budget. The two large sums for projects are, of course, support for state Councils on Human Relations and for the Voter Education Project. These important needs are both efforts which must fluctuate and be adjusted according to resources available. On the other hand, the $300,000 (or $340,000) for the remainder of our programs will represent at least one-third of the resources we anticipate having available during the next three years. As I have said before, while this support is valuable to us, I think the proportion of the support from one foundation is as high as it should be allowed to go.

Put another way, and perhaps more positively, I shall work very hard to see that a sum in the amount of at least two-thirds of our total resources come from other sources with the understanding that whatever we determine would be our needs we would not expect nor want the Ford Foundation to supply a higher proportion than that now requested.

(Several times in the past I have seen foundations make a substantial and a disproportionate contribution to this agency thereby allowing it to realize its potential. I believe the Ford Foundation did this very significantly 2½ years ago. I think continued support, with our joint scrutiny of the use of that support, will again be disproportionatly significant.)

Information and Research.

I could not agree more with the review team in its conclusion that our publications and information services have too limited a distribution in relation to their intrinsic value and potential impact. It is for this reason that we have budgeted a modest increase in these categories to allow us to concentrate

on increasing both circulation and services. The suggested increase is, however, modest because we would like to continue to go after quality rather quantity.

Community Organization and Education.

Our basic rationale for this project is to maintain a liaison between the emerging self-help efforts in the South and foundations, governmental agencies, and the like who have developed a strong interest in this area. We do not propose a program, but rather an intelligent system in which we would try to know what is happening, be sensitive to what is needed, and assist concerned resources. I think, perhaps, the best understanding of this project and our hopes for its future would be a review of the relation of these interests and this project with the Ford Foundation during the past 2½ years. John Lewis, the project director, will be available while you are here should you wish to get his personal reactions to this effort. I rank the project very high, not only in terms of the services rendered, but also relative to the sensitivity SRC has developed to a true phenomena of the current social revolution.

Labor Education.

Since Emory Via, the past project director who will return on a permanent basis September 1, 1968, is currently at the University of Wisconsin, I have asked him to provide two documents for your perusal. These are attached. One relates to his hopes for the future of the program, while the other is his comments on the Labor Movement in the South at the present time.

Special Research and Consultation.

I believe, to be concerned with the length of this memorandum, that we can best review what has been accomplished under these headings during our conversations.

We have, however, under the several headings, employed both field consultants and consultants for the purpose of publication. These funds have enabled us to do specific work in such areas as school integration, housing, and welfare programs. Our basic problem during the course of the current grant, as was agreed earlier with the review team, has been the rigidity of the budgeted items. Here, as in several other areas, we must essentially ask you to judge the quality of our past performance and ask you to allow us flexibility related to opportunity as well as need.

Business Sector.

As with several comments above, we feel the need to experiment seriously with a collection and dissemination of information to inform, educate, and perhaps, persuade the business and economic leadership of the region. We would like, for instance, to do continuing studies on the region's economic progress relative to that of the nation, on Negro versus white economic progress and related factors. We would like to delve further into the true unemployment situation in the region, we would also like to explore further the implications of the region's poor educational systems and further economic growth. We would like to go further into the implications of automation in our standard, low-paying industries such as furniture and the textiles. Quite frankly, I think a great deal of experimentation will have to take place in determining not only what among the above we will be able to do, but what in terms of subject, format, and distribution we will be able to have the greatest effect. We need to experiment, and if we have the opportunity, I would like, personally, to devote a substantial amount of time to this effort since I am convinced that those who hold power now are greatly in need of education, and in need of it quickly.

The Voter Education Project.

Documents relative to the questions you have raised have been prepared for our own internal planning

and policy-making. They are, however, available to you to the extent you wish to pursue them.

SRC Overhead.

An audit for last year and an operating budget for the current year will be available should you wish to go into these details. They offer a substantial breakdown on our expenses. In addition to this, however, perhaps it should be noted that our overhead expenditures are truly across-the-board in support of our total operations.

As to the cost incurred in supplying the services of Dr. T. T. Williams, we were more than happy to respond to a request from Chris Edley that if we could find the money to cover this expenditure we would, in time, be reimbursed by the Foundation. This, to me, was an excellent example of desirable cooperation between a foundation and an agency. I do hope that adding this cost onto whatever grant we receive will not penalize us.

State Councils on Human Relations.

This item and the questions you very rightly raise needs a thorough exploration which, I believe, can best be done during our discussions.

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Enclosed are a number of documents which several persons on the staff have thoughtfully prepared in my absence. Given the time, I might be tempted to edit them and, certainly, to reduce the length of them. Under the circumstances, however, I think it would be highly desirable for you to browse them if you have an opportunity. They provide not only detailed statistics relative to some of your questions, but more importantly, confidential responses to me which I am anxious to share with you.

I think you are at a disadvantage in dealing with this request. The request and your reactions to it are not, in my opinion, in the orthodox pattern of desirable and necessary foundation scrutiny. I have spent the greater part of my adult life with this agency, and have the high privilege of spending a few years as its director. This is an institution to which a number of us are deeply devoted not, I hope, out of either sentiment or employment, but o ut of our conviction that it represents some of the best tradition, experience, and opportunity for the future. I can honestly recommend the Southern Regional Council to you as my own best hope for a future, decent society.

WELCOME!

July 29, 1968

Mr. Herman Lodge
Executive Secretary
Burke County Improvement Association, Inc.
P. O. Box 347
Waynesboro, Georgia 30830

Dear Mr. Lodge:

It was a pleasure to have met with you and Mr. Coleman while I was in Augusta. My only regret is that I did not get to meet your other workers throughout the county. Hopefully on my next trip to Burke County I will be able to meet everyone involved in the voter registration project there.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. C. O. Brown
President
Milledgeville Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 142
Milledgeville, Georgia 31061

Dear Mr. Brown:

It was a pleasure to have met you and Mrs. Brown while I was in the Milledgeville area. I regret that I was unable to spend more time with you, but due to circumstances at that time, it was necessary that I spend very little time in Milledgeville. However, I promise you that when next I am in Milledgeville I will get to meet most, if not all, members of the project.

Thanks again for the peaches. They were really delicious.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams
Director
Richmond County Voter Education Project
Augusta Branch, NAACP
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mrs. Williams:

It was a pleasure to have met you while I was in Augusta. I regret that at that time you were having difficulties with the Richmond County registrar, but then we as a people are not unaccustomed to such things. I do hope you have no further interferences with the progress of your drive.

Please convey my very best good wishes to Rev. Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Department of Voter Education
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
1304½ Gloucester Street
Brunswick, Georgia 31520

Dear Mr. Miller:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. Jimmy L. McLain
Co-Chairman
DeKalb County Voters League
Voter Education Project
2079 Delano Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Mr. McLain:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. Norman L. Jenkins, Sr.
Chairman
Wayne County Branch, NAACP
461 West Pine Street
Jesup, Georgia 31545

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

I thought you would like to see the enclosed.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis
Community Organization

JL/km

Enc. - 1 Pamphlet
St. Luke's Journal

July 29, 1968

Dr. Charles E. Boddie, President
American Baptist Theological Seminary
1800 White's Creek Pike
Nashville, Tennessee 37207

Dear Dr. Boddie:

Thank you for the invitation of July 18. I would be delighted to be one of the speakers during the Alumni Day-Founders Celebration. I will hold open April 8-10, 1969.

Sincerely yours,

John R. Lewis, Director
Community Organization

JRL/km

July 29, 1968

Integrated Education Associates
343 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Gentlemen:

Please send me the following:

1 DESEGREGATION RESEARCH: AN APPRAISAL,
by Meyer Weinberg @ $2.50

1 THE INDIAN IN AMERICAN HISTORY TEXTBOOKS,
by Virgil Vogel @ $.50

Enclosed is our check for $3.35 in payment for the above, plus postage.

Yours truly,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure: Check, $3.35

July 29, 1968

The Reverend Bridges W. Edwards
Dodge County Branch, NAACP
Peabody Heights Presbyterian Church
Herman Avenue
Eastman, Georgia 31023

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

The Reverend Dwight Jackson
All Citizens Registration Campaign
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. William P. Randall
Executive Secreatry
Bibb and Jones Counties Action Committee
850 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:'

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Savannah Branch, NAACP
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to review the progress of your voter registration project. I hope that at that time we can have a very frank discussion concerning problems, successes or failures you have encountered during the course of your project's operation.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mrs. Glardes Wright
West Tennessee Self-Help
Development Corporation, Inc.
123 Pennington Street
Ripley, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Wright:

This is to inform you that I will be in the West Tennessee area sometime after the August 1 election. At that time I would like to review the progress of the registration drives that are underway in the counties of Lauderdale, Tipton, Haywood, Fayette and Hardeman. I hope you will inform persons from the counties of my coming into the area.

Looking forward to seeing you very soon in the future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

RE: Refund to SRC for hotel expenses

Please find attached my personal check in the amount of $26.52 as reimbursement by the New Era Baptist Congress for hotel expenses I incurred while attending a convention in Augusta, Georgia. This amount does not include the encircled $3.34 for a business long distance call. Thank you.

July 29, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter we received from the people in Bastrop. I hope that by now you have made contact with them and have made available to them a copy of the VEP guidelines. From all indications there is a very pressing need for assistance.

Please say hello to everyone.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. Charles E. Bryant
President
St. Landry Parish Education Association
1520 North Market Street
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Bryant:

We are in receipt of your proposal to conduct a voter registration project in the St. Landry Parish area and thank you for submitting it. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide assistance to your organization at this time. The reasons for this being twofold. One, the factionalism which we think exists threatens the successful operation of a voter registration project. Two, our records indicate that 87 per cent of the Negro voting age population is already registered to vote. Under these circumstances we doubt whether a voter registration drive in St. Landry Parish would result in a significate number of new registrations.

Mr. William Samuel, Director of the Louisiana Voter Education Project, will be in contact with you concerning some other program we may conceivably fund. After consulting with Mr. Samuel you may wish to submit another proposal for such a program.

Thank you very much for your interest in the Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 29, 1968

Mr. Eligah H. Glenn
President
Allen Parish Voters League, Inc.
P. O. Box 531
Oakdale, Louisiana 71463

Dear Mr. Glenn:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Allen Parish Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Allen Parish, Louisiana. We are sorry to inform you that we have not approved your program due the the already high percentage of registration that exists among Negro voters in the Allen Parish area. Our records indicate that 86 per cent of the Negro voting age population in Allen Parish is presently registered to vote. We do not believe that a drive at this time would result in a significant number of new registrations.

Mr. William Samuel, Director of the Louisiana Voter Education Project, will be in contact with you regarding other funding possibilities.

Thank you for your interest in the Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

July 30, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Elijah:

In response to your letter of July 25, I see no need to write a letter to George Howard explaining a position of any kind. VEP made a grant to the Arkansas Council on Human Relations for the Arkansas Voter Education Project. That grant is still operative under this condition, and the conditions of the grant letter, and that is the present position.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

July 30, 1968

Mr. Franklin W. Thomas
General Executive
Butler Street YMCA
22 Butler Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Pursuant to your invitation of July 26 to be the guest speaker at the Hungry Club Forum on Wednesday, November 27, at 12:00 noon, I am pleased to accept your kind invitation. To that end, I am enclosing a copy of my resumé.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

July 29, 1968

The Reverend J. H. Scott
Route 1, Box 13
Lake Providence, Louisiana

Dear Rev. Scott:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 15. I am sorry I took so long to answer it. I have been out of the city a good deal lately.

It is good to see that you are working in Tensas Parish. It is one parish that is in need of a lot of good hard work and I hope your efforts can at least result in the establishment of some viable, organized effort in voter education by the people from the Tensas Parish area. In this way you will not have to divide your efforts between East Carroll and Tensas.

Until I see you again, good luck in your work.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

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July 30, 1968

Mr. F. R. Johnson
President
Orange County Branch, NAACP
39 North Parramore Avenue
Orlando, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Orange County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Orange County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 12 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	280.00
Transportation		500.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Office Rent		60.00
Telephone		50.00
Office Supplies		35.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account and forward to VEP a copy of the aignature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one weeklyperiod, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
VoterEEducation Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

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July 30, 1968

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Leake County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Leake County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 12 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing and Postage		80.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
VoterEducation Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

68-135

July 30, 1968

Mr. Donza Walker
President
Newton County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 75
Newton, Mississippi39345

Dear Mr. Walker:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Newton County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Newton County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 12 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

68-134

July 30, 1968

Mr. Thomas Sutton
Project Director
Lake County Voters League
907 Georgia Avenue
Leesburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Sutton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lake County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lake County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 12 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		300.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Office Rent		50.00
Telephone		50.00
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Mr. Thomas Sutton - 3.
July 30, 1968

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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July 30, 1968

Mrs. Frances H. Nichols
Wilkes County Voter Education Project
Route 1, Box 435
Washington, Georgia 30673

Dear Mrs. Nichols:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Wilkes County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Wilkes County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 22 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing and Postage		80.00
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July 30, 1968

Mr. C. C. Bryant
President
Pike County Branch, NAACP
333-B McComb Street
McComb, Mississippi 39648

Dear Mr. Bryant:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Pike County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Pike County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 12, 1968 to October 7, 1968.

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cc: W. C. Patton

68-131

July 30, 1968

Mr. Paul S. Bell
Chairman
Powhatan County Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Committee
Route 1, Box 179 A
Powhaton, Virginia

Dear Mr. Bell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request to the Powhatan County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Powhatan County, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of Eight weeks to run from August 12 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant ti eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 280.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing and Postage		40.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: John Brooks

68-130

July 30, 1968

Mr. Eddie P. Richardson
Chairman
Voter Education Project
Lake Charles Branch, NAACP
c/o Mr. William Samuel
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Richardson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lake Charles Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 5 to September 30, 1968.

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Transportation		300.00
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July 30, 1968

The Reverend William Wallace
The Greenwood Movement
708 Avenue "I"
Greenwood, Mississippi 38930

Dear Mr. Wallace:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greenwood Movement for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Leflore County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 5 to September 30, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$320.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		250.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Office Supplies		40.00
Telephone		40.00

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July 30, 1968

Mr. Curtis GordonnBlunt
NAACP Voter Registration Campaign
Manatee County Branch, NAACP
507 - 15th Avenue, West
Bradenton, Florida

Dear Mr. Blunt:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Manatee County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Manatee County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 5 to September 30, 1968.

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Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		300.00
Office Rent		50.00
Telephone		50.00
Office Supplies		20.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00

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cc: W. C. Patton

68-127

July 30, 1968

The Reverend Joseph Smith
Polk County Branch, NAACP
1733 First Street North
Winter Haven, Florida 33880

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Polk County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Polk County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 5, to September 30, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Office Supplies		30.00
Office Rent		50.00
Transportation		490.00

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July 30, 1968

Mr. Eugene Poole
Director
Marion County Voters League
1901 N. W. 26th Avenue
Ocala, Florida 32670

Dear Mr. Poole:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Marion County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Marion County, Florida. We are pleased to infrom you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 5 to September 30, 1968.

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Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Office Rent		60.00
Office Supplies		25000
Transportation		485.00

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July 30, 1968

Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer
Chairman
Sunflower County Voter s League
626 East Lafayette
Ruleville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hamer:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Sunflower County Voter's League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Sunflower County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from August 1 to October 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Office Rent		75.00
Telephone		50.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	300.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Transportation		475.00

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July 30, 1968

Mr. John Kelly, Jr.
President
Barbour County Improvement Association
P. O. Box 438
Eufaula, Alabama 36027

Dear Mr. Kelly:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Barbour County Improvement Association for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Barbour County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from August 1 to October 10, 1968.

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Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		350.00
Office Rent		50.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
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July 30, 1968

Mr. George Esser
The North Carolina Fund
P. O. Box 687
Durham, North Carolina

Dear George:

I am at a loss to understand what Mr. Felton is talking about in the enclosed letter. I am sure that you no doubt will be puzzled, too. I have not responsed to his letter and have no plans to do so.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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People's Program on Poverty

Telephone 539-2209 or 539-2200
P. O. Box 100
Rich Square, North Carolina 27869

July 16, 1968

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Sothern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan,

There are strong indications that much of the One Thousand Dollars provided each of the following Choanoke Area Counties of North Carolina, Bertie, Hertford, Halifax, and Northampton counties to conduct voter registration drives during the recent primary remains unused. Please refund this unused funds to PPOP along with a report on each unit.

1. Bertie County Voter Education Project
2. Hertford County Voter Education Project
3. Halifax County Voter Education Project
4. Northampton County Voter Education Project

Yours very truly,

James A. Felton

James A. Felton
Executive Director

July 30, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

We have sent the quarterly payment on your grant-in-aid, but I want to add a word of appreciation for the good reports.

Besides their being in the usual good form, the news of your new chapters and the meaningful activity of local councils is encouraging. And, although I am sure you would like to see it improve, ACHR's financial condition appears to be better than average. Congratulations on a job well done.

I was especially intrigued by news of the new chapter in Batesville. I remember Fitzhugh Spragins as the bright young son of the president of Arkansas College when I was a student there, 1949-51. Is AC pretty well desegregated?

Keep up the good work.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield

July 30, 1968

Mr. Robert Sherrill
617 North Carolina Avenue, S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Bob:

You have to go a long ways to get to you in the attached, but it is all vintage Pou. as fine as I ever saw. We are sending you clips on Mrs. Eva Clayton who ran for congress in North Carolina instead of Hawkins because when you come down to it, Hawkins ain't the best example of a cause to send money to in our considered judgment.

It was good talking to you. I wouldn't tell you to your face, of course, but your insight about liberals of Humphrey's stripe using civil rights as a smokescreen on their cop-out on civil liberties is about the best explanation I have seen of what ails things. Of course I had to read it in Ramparts; we ain't gotten no free copy here.

Am enclosing election clips; may have some more tomorrow.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encl's

July 30, 1968

Mr. Donald Harris
A Better Chance
Independent Schools Talent Search
376 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Don:

I thought you would like to see the enclosed.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

John Lewis

JL/rh

July 30, 1968

Mr. Stephen V. R. Whitman
Senate Anti-trust & Monopoly Subcommittee
Room 414, Old Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Whitman:

Enclosed are copies of newsclips and a magazine article which relate to your study of the effects of insurance company practices on the poor and minorities. Also, if you have not seen the Report by the President's National Advisory Panel on Insurance in Riot-Affected Areas, you might find this has interesting material for you.

Mr. Frank Adams, Executive Director, Virginia Council on Human Relations, has been interested in this question. Should you wish to contact him, his address is 214 E. Clayton St., Room 310, Richmond, Virginia, 23219.

We shall look forward to seeing the results of your study.

Yours very truly,

Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

Enc.:-8 xerox sheets

July 31, 1968

Mr. C. E. Prothro, Jr.
The Regional Economic Development
and Business Center
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Prothro:

Thank you for sending me a list of the savings and loan associations which are managed by Negroes.

If I can ever be of service to you, please feel free to call on me.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Barnetta Jackson
Research Assistant

BJ:js

July 31, 1968

Mr. Aubrey Brown
512 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Brown:

I am enclosing most of the information you requested. Note that the list of savings and loan associations, which was acquired from Mr. C. E. Prothro, Jr., of Atlanta University, does not give the savings and loan associations owned by Negroes but rather those managed by Negroes. Mr. Prothro points out that while there is a distinct difference between ownership and management of such associations, he does not have a list of savings and loansassociations which are owned by Negroes. And, unfortunately, neither does the Council. I do hope, however, that the enclosed list will be of some service to you.

If we can give you further assistance, do call on us.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Barnetta Jackson
Research Assistant

BJ:js
Encls.

July 31, 1968

Mr. Ray Jenkins
The Alabama Journal
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Ray:

Your manuscript on Lee-v Macon is giving me a little trouble -- not because of any lack of quality, but due to a conflicint report on the same general subject which had been in the works for some time.

It's about resolved now, and I'll be writing you again shortly with some suggested revisions for yours. In the meantime, a reminder that the Alabama round-up deadline is approaching -- August 9.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Paul
Emory wanted you to know he would be in town.

Reading File cc

July 31, 1968

Dr. Emory F. Via
University Extension
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
432 North Lake Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

Dear Emory:

Just a note to confirm your reservations at the American Motor Hotel on the nights of August 7 and August 8. The single room will be $15.00 per night.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) R. C. Martin

km

Reading file

TELEGRAM: July 31, 1968

Mr. James R. Jones
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

ACCEPT INVITATION FOR AUGUST 1

CEREMONIES AT NEW HUD BUILDING.

PAUL ANTHONY
VERNON E. JORDAN

SOUTHERN REGIONAL
COUNCIL

July 31, 1968

Mr. Robert A. Thompson
Deputy Assistant to the Regional
Administrator, Region III
Department of Housing and Urban Development
Peachtree Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Bob:

Needless to say, we are more than anxious to do anything we can to help in the situation in Tifton, which you describe in your letter of July 29th. I am passing your letter on to Moreland Smith, who assures me he will be in touch with you shortly to discuss this. He is willing also to make a trip to Tifton.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

cc: RV

July 31, 1968

Southern Education Reporting Service
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is our check for $3.00, representing payment for a one-year renewal, effective immediately.

I did check our files and discovered that we had not sent in our renewal as I had thought. Sorry for the slip-up.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $3.00 check.

July 31, 1968

Mr. John Egerton
Southern Education Reporting
Service
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear John:

The report looks good. Appreciate your getting it to us early. I hope you will reconsider your decision about future reports.

Speaking of freelancing, is the situation there in Nashville (I mean particularly in regard to location of the interstate highway) worth exploring for an article?

Let me know what you think.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - $50.00 check.

cc: RV
Requested by: MMJ

July 31, 1968

The University of Georgia Press
Athens, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

Please send us six copies of Clement Eaton's The Waning of The Old South Civilization, 1860-1880. Our check for $4.75 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $ 4.75 check.

cc: RV
Requested by: PW

July 31, 1968

The Dial Press
750 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Julius Lester's Look Out, Whitey! Black Power's Gon' Get Your Mama. Our check for $3.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $3.95 check.

cc: RV

Requested for Res. Dept.

Invoice Rec'd:_____

Study rec'd:_____

Check Mailed: _____

July 31, 1968

Mr. Albert J. Reiss, Jr.
Chairman
Department of Sociology
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Reiss:

We would like to obtain a copy of the study of police work that was sponsored by the President's National Crime Commission.

Please send us a copy and bill us, if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. -

July 31, 1968

Mr. F. R. Johnson
President
Orange County Branch, NAACP
39 North Parramore Avenue
Orlando, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

MEMO TO: BCC

FROM: MW

Please forward to Arkansas VEP 250 copies of How To Conduct a Voter Registration Campaign , labels attached.

Thanx

FIELD TRIP - JULY 31, 1968 - COLUMBIA & ORANGEBURG, S. C.
TONY DUNBAR

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When the VEP project in Floyd County, Georgia ended we relocated our intern there, Curtina Moreland, to Columbia, South Carolina. When I had arranged with Jim Felder for Curtina to come up, it was my understanding that she would be working with the registration drive in Lexington County. Actually, she is now doing roughly the same thing that Ed Taplin is doing for Bill Samuel in Louisiana. Curtina travels around with Felder to visit projects and attend district meetings. She is doing some secretarial work and may write a voters handbook. And for a week, she may live and work in Hampton County. I think it is a good job for her. She works directly with Felder and he is giving her the guidence that she lacked working for Donald Jackson in Rome.

Her experience in Rome was in many ways disillusioning. She was unsuccessful inaachieving even her least optimistic goals concerning organizing the cities young people. Aside from the general apathy and conservatism of the people she approached, she blames Jackson for most of what happened. She felt that he had become so embittered

after his years of trying to fight the complacency in Rome that he had lost all enthusiasm for his work and for any creative ideas. He did not have any hopes for her efforts from the start, did not encourage her, and would not let her try several things, like door to door canvassing, because he said it had been done before so would not work. It is wrong to assign a girl to a project where the director offers her no guidance yet denies her the chance to pursue her own ideas. Jim Felder is at least keeping her busy and telling her what to do. Her work in Rome might have gone better had she been broken in first in Columbia. Curtina also likes the Columbia community better than the Rome community. She at least sees a drive there for change.

Felder took us over to WPOC radio station and interviewed the two of us for the South Carolina VEP Report. He has a weekly fifteen minute broadcast and the tapes are played in three cities around the state. I talked about the student project and how listeners might apply for internships, and Curtina talked about her experiences and impressions of Columbia. I enjoyed the whole thing.

Field Trip to S. C. - 3.
July 31, 1968

The three of us drove down to Orangeburg to meet Charles Thomas and Dante Germanotta. As soon as I got there I was presented with the complaint that the Orangeburg project is not being correctly funded. I promised to report this to Thad.

Germanotte and Thomas have been holding meetings and organizine around the project area on the subject of increased participation in the Food Stamps Program. The issue of Stamps, covering both the Negro votes that caused the program to be set up and now, increased participation, is being used as the key point in their efforts at keeping the community interested about and aware of local politica. They have sent out flyers to all precinct organizations offering to hold meetings about Food Stamps in their communities. The response has been very good and they have been holding meetings about two evenings each week. When they get a request for a meeting, the precinct leader, Germanotta and whatever help they can muster, canvass the precinct for about three days to insure attendance at the meeting.

Both men are pleased with this approach to citizenship education. Both also feel that except where

extraordinary events have aroused a community, it is best to arrange an education program around Food Stamps where the importance of registering can be shown and interest in voting can be encouraged. To use an issue like Food Stamps, however, requires the assistance of a consultant like Germanotta who understands the program, local politics and the law. I think that projects near cities and colleges might be employed to use this approach to citizenship education.

Germonatta is acting as adviser to a small committee headed by a man named Huggins attempting to set up a black people's party in South Carolina. They called an organizational meeting on Friday, August 28, but no one showed up. Thomas was very concerned beacuse the return address on the letter advertising the meeting was the office of the Orangeburg VEP.

Germanotta is working until August 15, and plans to move to Ohio the next day. So he will not be able too lead a workshop at the intern conference.

Jimmy Felder, Curtina and I returned to Columbia for dinner, and reight after I listened to the SCVEP Report on the radio I flew back to Atlanta.

Field Trip to S. C. - 5.
July 31, 1968

It seems to me that Dante Germonatta has done fine work. Curtina Moreland is a very capable girl and should be able to do anything Jimmy Felder expects of her.

July 31, 1968

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered,etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

Mr. Donza Walker
President
Newton County Branch, NAACO
P. O. Box 75

Dear Mr. Walker:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mr. Thomas Sutton
Project Director
Lake County Voters League
907 Georgia Avenue
Leesburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Sutton:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mrs. Frances H. Nichols
Wilkes County Voter Education Project
Route 1, Box 435
Washington, Georgia 30673

Dear Mrs. Nichols:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mr. C. C. Bryant
President
Pike County Branch, NAACP
333-B McComb Street
McComb, Mississippi 39648

Dear Mr. Bryant:

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mr. Eddie P. Richardson
Chairman
Voter Education Project
Lake Charles Branch, NAACP
c/o Mr. William Samuel
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Richardson:

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mr. Paul S. Bell
Chairman
Powhatan County Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Committee
Route 1, Box 179-A
Powhatan, Virginia

Dear Mr. Bell:

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Voter Education Project

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July 31, 1968

Mr. R. E. Hughes
Community Relations Service
Room 845
148 Cain St., N.E.
Atlanta, 30303, Ga.

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Enclosed you will find copy of newsclip of July 29, about the Auburn Avenue incident.

Glad to be of service.

Yours very truly,

Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

Enc.-1

July 31, 1968

The Reverend William Wallace
The Greenwood Movement
708 Avenue "I"
Greenwood, Mississippi 38930

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

Mr. Curtis Gordon Blunt
NAACP Voter Registration Campaign
Manatee County Branch, NAACP
507 - 15th Avenue, West
Bradenton, Florida

Dear Mr. Blunt:

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The Reverend Joseph Smith
Polk County Branch, NAACP
1733 First Street North
Winter Haven, Florida 33880

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seemsoof interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

Mr. Eugene Poole
Director
Marion County Voters League
1901 N. W. 26th Avenue
Ocala, Florida 32670

Dear Mr. Poole:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer
Chairman
Sunflower County Voter's League
626 East Lafayette
Ruleville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hamer:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

Mr. John Kelly, Jr.
President
Barbour County Improvement Association
P. O. Box 438
Eufaula, Alabama 36027

Dear Mr. Kelly:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

July 31, 1968

Attorney General's Office
State Capitol
Jackson, Mississippi 39203

Dear Sirs:

Please send me the latest edition of the Mississippi election code.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

August 1, 1968

Mr. Robert Mants
M.A.C.E.
353 North Harvey Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Bob:

The enclosed is for your information.

Sincerely,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

August 1, 1968

Harper and Row
Keystone Industrial Park
Scranton, Pennsylvania

Dear Sirs:

Please send us six (6) copies of Alarms and Hopes -- A Personal Journey, A Personal View, by Senator Fred R. Harris.

Our check for $23.70 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson
Managing Editor, New South

REA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $23.70)

August 1, 1968

Mr. Donald A. Jelinek
Executive Director
Southern Rural Research Project
802 First Avenue
Selma, Alabama 36701

Dear Don:

Forgive me the long delay in responding to your shared quote from the Commission.

If I was wrong on this one, it would be after a long and distinguished collection of errors, but I stand my ground.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 1, 1968

Miss Ann H. Lewis
1121 Charlotte Avenue Extension
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Miss Lewis:

There is a slight possibility that we would have a position for you on your return to Atlanta. I am, however, concerned that we could meet your salary requirements.

Would you be good enough to call either me or Mr. James Wood, of our staff, after you return.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 1, 1968

Mrs. Lelia Tyler Sanders
Instructor of Psychology
Mississippi Valley State College
Itta Bena, Mississippi 38941

Dear Mrs. Sanders:

I sincerely regret that we do not have funds available for the type of financial assistance you request.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 1, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street, Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is our check for $243.22 covering your expenses.

Did the trip do any good?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure 1. (Check: $243.22)

August 1, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses. Thank you again for coming, and for your interest generally.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $28.35)

August 1, 1968

Miss Catherine Greene
Associate Editor
Bill Adler Books, Inc.
75 East 55th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Miss Greene:

Your request of July 23rd is being passed on to Mr. Robert E. Anderson, Editor of SRC Publications. I am sure you will be hearing from him shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 1, 1968

MEMO TO: RHV

FROM: VEJ

RE: Dwight Jackson

Effective July 31, 1968, Dwight Jackson, Student Intern for the VEP, resigned his position and internship, and is therefore not be paid any salary after July 31, 1968.

Thank you.

cc: Tony Dunbar

August 1, 1968

The Reverend Frederick D. Reese
1566 Range Street
Selma, Alabama 36701

Dear Mr. Reese:

Enclosed is a copy of the article which I promised to send you. I would appreciate any changes or corrections that you feel are necessary. I shall be calling you again in a few days.

Thank you very much for your help.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 2, 1968

Mr. John W. Reuss
Department of Political Science
Watkins Hall 2122
University of California
Riverside, California 92502

Dear Mr. Reuss:

Please forgive me this long delay in responding to your letter of inquiry. As to the 100 volumes which you wish to dispose of, I believe Miles College in Birmingham, Alabama would be more than pleased to receive them. Dr. Lucius H. Pitts is the college's president.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

August 2, 1968

Mr. Dwight M. Jackson
3409 Palmice Drive
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

In response to your letter of Augst 1 stating that you are resigning as Student Intern for the VEP, please be informed that your resignation is hereby accepted.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Messrs. Tony Dunbar and
Jesse Hill

August 2, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

It is my understanding that Reverend Dwight Jackson has resigned as Student Intern for the VEP, assigned to All Citizens Registration Committee as director of its summer program.

Please inform Mr. Weldon Rougeau, field director of VEP, at your earliest convenience, as to what plans you have for the selection of a director for the remaining period of the Summer program for ACRC.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Weldon Rougeau

August 2, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

The VEP is having a conference on August 29 and 30, here in Atlanta, of the summer interns. This final meeting of the interns will hopefully produce an evaluation of the project this summer and guidelines for setting up the program next summer.

On the 29th there will be various speakers, a dinner and workshops. On the 30th there will first be a closed session for the interns, where proposals will be drawn up, and a final open meeting where recommendations will be presented.

I would like to invite you to come and observe the conference to become better acquainted with what the interns have been doing and what we hope that they will be doing next year.

Please let me know if you will plan to attend so that I can make arrangements for your travel and room.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Director of Student Affairs
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

August 2, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
336½ East Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

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Tony Dunbar
Director of Student Affairs
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

August 2, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jim:

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Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Director of Student Affairs
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

August 2, 1968

Mr. Norman J. McKenzie
Acting Executive Officer
The National Advisory Commission
on Civil Disorders
1016 16th Streetm N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. McKenzie:

Enclosed are materials relative to Mr. Vernon E. Jordan Jr. and his expenses incurred while traveling for The Commission.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm
Enclosure

P. S. Mr. McKenzie, copies of this material were forwarded Miss Carney (copies enclosed) for January 6-8, travel and copies of the February travel also. So, I do not have any record of these. I trust the enclosed will be of help to you.

August 2, 1968

Mr. J. Hugo Madison
1017 Church Street
Norfolk, Virginia 23510

Dear Mr. Madison:

Please accept my apology for not enclosing a copy of our guidelines, copy of which is enclosed FOR SURE this time.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm
Enclosure

August 2, 1968

Mr. John H. Ruffin, Jr.
Attorney at Law
930 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ruffin:

Mr. Jordan is out of the city until September 1 and is therefore unable to comply with your request for information on possible employment for James Dykhouse. However, upon his return, and if it is not too late, I feel sure Mr. Jordan will be happy to do whatever he can for Mr. Dykhouse.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

NM

August 2, 1968

Mr. Paul Jablow
Charlotte Observer
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Jablow:

Here are the last four issues of the VEP newsletter. If we can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 5, 1968

Mr. David Kovenock
Comparative State Elections Project
Institute for Research in Social Science
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Kovenock:

I apologize for taking so long to answer your letter of July 17. It was passed along to me just prior to an out-of-town trip.

At least three papers have been prepared here estimating Negro voting turnout in the South. These are "What Happened in the South, 1964," "What Happened in the South, 1966," and a special study of the Alabama primary of 1966. We computed these estimates primarily by sampling certain predominantly Negro precincts, both rural and urban, and measuring the turnout in these precincts against the registration at these precincts. I was involved in the preparation of the last two papers and I feel that the estimates we came up with are reasonably accurate. I am enclosing these three papers and I hope that you will find them helpful.

After you have studied these three papers you might want some details on how the data was

obtained and how the estimates were arrived at. I will be happy to try to supply this information for you.

Certainly the Voter Education Project will be very interested in your survey and we stand ready to render all the assistance that we can.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

cc: Paul Anthony

cc: RV
Invoice Rec'd:_____
Amount:_____
Check No:_____
Mailed:_____

August 5, 1968

The Augusta Courier
Suite 500 - 500 Building
Augusta, Georgia 30902

RE: May Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our regular subscription for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

August 5, 1968

Miss Helen Towner
709 Third Street
Marks, Mississippi

Dear Miss Towner:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 5, 1968

Miss Joan K. Hogg
Hercules Incorporated
Fibers & Film Department
Edgemont Drive
Covington, Virginia 24426

Dear Miss Hogg:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of the Voting Rights Actoof 1965.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 5, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Thank you very much for sending so promptly the excellent selection of pictures of the July 13 workshop. From all I heard it was a fine meeting.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 5, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear John:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Houston Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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August 5, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Thanks for your letter of July 29. I am glad that the rumble after your speech turned out to be a plus instead of a minus.

I do not know of a leadership conference in August.

It seems as though your Board is taking some helpful actions. I certainly hope so.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

August 5, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Weldon Rougeau
Thad Olive

FROM: Marvin Wall

FYI. Mrs. McMahon of the DeKalb County VEP called the other day to say there would be meetings on the evenings of the 12th and 19th of August at the Union Baptist Church in Lithonia, Georgia.

August 5, 1968

Mr. Marion A. Truslow, Jr.
3631 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Truslow:

Vernon Jordan passed your letter of July 25 along to me prior to leaving for vacation. I have no special knowledge of Fulbright's views on civil rights. However, I feel instinctively (and Mr. Jordan does not agree with me on this) that the Senator, deep down, is not as much a segregationist as his voting record would indicate.

Let me suggest that you write to Ben Grinage, who recently resigned as director of the Arkansas Voter Education Project to join Senator Fulbright's staff. Ben is a Negro and has long been active in civil rights in Arkansas. It would seem to me that he could be helpful to you.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 5, 1968

Mr. John W. Spence
Assistant Director
Southern Field Office
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
Room 365, The Federal Building
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Mr. Spence:

Mr. Jordan has passed your kind letter of July 29 along to me. We will certainly take advantage of your kind offer to be of assistance in the prepawation of the "Know Your Government" booklets. I am passing your letter along to Janet Wells and you will be hearing from us as the booklets proceed toward publication.

Under separate cover we are sending you five copies each of the Georgia and North Carolina booklets. Any time we can be of assistance to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 5, 1968

Mr. William P. Flack
1311 Stephens Street
Anderson, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Flack:

Bill Roberts has forwarded your letter to me. In turn I will pass it along to Mr. Thaddeus Olive, who is Mr. Jordan's administrative assistant.

It is very good to hear from you and it is pleasing to know of your interest in doing voter registration work in Anderson.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Bill Roberts

August 5, 1968

Mr. Charlie Lee Lindsey
General Delivery
Forrest City, Arkansas 72335

Dear Mr. Lindsey:

I gather that you are referring to "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." Under separate cover we are sending you four copies. If you need additional copies, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 5, 1968

Mr. Calvin Brooks
Program Officer
The African-American Institute
1346 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of July 29. Despite the difficulties in dealing with Mr. Kalonda, I somehow enjoyed his visit anyway. It was a great pleasure having him here and, as you suggest, perhaps he profited from the visit. I am always glad to talk to visitors from abroad and I look forward to seeing others in the future. Please call on me anytime that we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 6, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
336½ E. Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

I hope you have not forgotten that you are expected to send me a report of your field activities each month.

Thank you good brother.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill
Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

This letter is to confirm and clarify what has been said concerning the relationship of the VEP interns to the All Citizens Registration Committee.

1.) We have requested that a new director be selected at your earliest convience to head the summer program of the ACRC. I suggest that you select one of the interns to fill the vacant position. I recommend John Wyatt or Joyce Brown.

2.) Rev. Dwight Jackson must no longer have an administrative relationship with the six VEP interns assigned to the ACRC.

3.) If a new director of the ACRC summer program cannot be found, the interns must be relocated to other jobs within metropolitan Atlanta.

I am very sorry that these conflicts have arisen. It will be impossible for me at this time to continue to have VEP interns working under Rev. Jackson, especially now that he is no longer an intern himself.

I had hoped to assume temporary directorship of the ACRC summer intern program while you chose a new director, but I find from Leon Hay that I nor any representative of the ACRC except yourself can obtain registration forms.

I sincerely hope that you will assume direct responsibility over the day-to-day activities of the interns and that you will very soon appoint one of the interns to head the program and to be responsible to you.

I ask you as soon as possible to confirm by phone with me that you will be able to convene the interns for a conference where they will be provided with registration forms to enable them to resume work on Wednesday, August 7, 1968.

I regret the inconvenience that this situation is causing all of us and I hope that by Wednesday the interns of the ACRC summer program can be back at work.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Director
Summer Project
Voter Education Project

TD:mjc

cc: Vernon Jordan
Weldon Rougeau

August 6, 1968

Mr. Edgar L. Taplin, Jr.
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Edgar:

Your letter of July 16 raises some interesting points. We have discussed the idea of sending copies of progress reports to the statewide VEPs before. Unfortunately, however, we have not hit upon a convenient way to do it. The Xerox machine here carries a pretty heavy load and it is at this moment, if fact, out of operation.

Nevertheless we have not put the idea aside and we will continue to give some thought to working our an arrangement for providing progress reports to state VEPs.

Meanwhile, if you would like a report on a particular project, please write to Miss Janet Wells, Research Assistant, since I will be on vacation during the next two weeks.

I hope the summer has gone well for you. Perhaps I will see you in Atlanta around the end of the month.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Vernon Jordan

August 6, 1968

Mr. Dickey Winsett
416½ Caplewood Drive
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Mr. Winsett:

This is to inform you that I will be in the Tuscaloosa area on the afternoon of Thursday, August 15, 1968. Please arrange a meeting for me with representatives from the 10 counties you propose working with in the 5th Congressional District. Also, I would appreciate your informing me as to where, we as a group, will meet on Thursday. If I do not receive such information I will assume that we will meet at the above address.

Here's hoping to see you on Thursday.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
336½ E. Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

I hope you have not forgotten that you are expected to send me a report of your field activities each month.

Thank you good brother.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Jack:

Thanks for the quarterly report. Your check is on its way under separate cover.

The question of just what SRC will and will not be able to do in the way of support to the human relations councils is still undecided. There is a meeting of the joint sub-committee to consider the matter this weekend. Hopefully things will be clearer after that.

I have still been functioning as field director to the extent of keeping track of the grants-in-aid and handling correspondence. You are right, however, that a change is in the offing. As a matter of fact, I am glad you mentioned it, because I should have been in touch with you about it before now.

You may recall my trip through Houston last spring, when I was talking to some folks about an agency similar to SRC for the Southwest. I have been working with Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon of the University of Texas School of Law, and others,

on that project. Professor Witherspoon has convened an ad hoc committee which in turn chose a steering committee. To make a long story short, they have determined to organize and have hammered out enough detail to draw up articles of incorporation and by-laws. In order to get staff services right away, they have arranged with SRC to move me over there. I shall continue on the SRC staff for six months, after which I'll become executive director of the "Southwest Intergroup Relations Council." The office will be located, at least temporarily, in Austin. Joyce and I have already bought a home in Austin and plan to move within three weeks.

They are defining "Southwest" as Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Utah, and California. The membership will include Mexican-Americans and Indian-Americans, as well as Negroes and Anglos, and the SIRC will be concerned with all three ethnic minorities, of course.

I shall be traveling through Houston in the near future and hope to have the opportunity of briefing you further about this development. I'll call or write as soon as I know my schedule.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

August 6, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Marvin Wall

The Mack Jones proposal sounds interesting. However, I have several reservations. One, the study of Negro elected officials and their problems overlaps, at least somewhat, the study made by Julian Bond. Two, as I have mentioned before, we may be putting too much money into academic oriented research projects. We could hope for better results from some of these undertakings and we have every reason to move carefully in this field.

August 6, 1968

Mr. Gilbert Harrison, Sr.
Director
The Grant Parish Civic and
Improvement Organization, Inc.
New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Route 2, Box 40A
Colfax, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Harrison:

The last reseatch report you sent us indicate that you are to carry 244 persons to the polls on August 17,1968. I hope that this is a mistake and that you ment carry 244 persons to the registration office, on August 19, 1968. Of course you know that our non-partisan position prohibits us from engaging in any kind of political activity. This would be the case if you transported persons to the polls on election day.

Congratulations on the progress you have been making since the beginning of your registration drive. Grant Parish will never be the same again.

Sincerely,

Weldon Jl Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. Gilbert Harrison, Sr.
Director
The Grant Parish Civic and
Improvement Organization, Inc.
New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Route 2, Box 40A
Colfax, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Harrison:

The last research report you sent us indicate that you are to carry 244 persons to the polls on August 17,1968. I hope that this is a mistake and that you ment carry 244 persons to the registration office, on August 19, 1968. Of course you know that our non-partisan position prohibits us from engaging in any kind of political activity. This would be the case if you transported persons to the polls on election day.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mrs. Barbara Whitaker
National Urban League
Southern Regional Office
136 Marietta Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Barbara:

Reports we have been receiving from Mrs. Carmony of the Tampa Urban League, indicate that the citizenship Education Program, which we thought had terminated at least three weeks ago, is still in operation. Consequently we are receiving current request for finances which we feel are not consonant with the terms of our grant. For instance, Mrs. Carmon's report of July 26 - August 2, indicates that she has been preforming the following duties: serving as Acting Executive Director, meeting with the Model Cities group, meeting with a newspaper editor with reference to Whitney Young's Core Convention speech, "attending a meeting of the Board of Education discussing the rebuilding of Middleton High School, which burned last year", and other activities which in our opinion are not related to citizenship education sessions in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties.

Hence this letter comes to inform you that we can no longer pay for Mrs. Carmony's salary and other

related expenses, because in our opinion the program has terminated, graduation exercises have been held, and graduates have received their class certificates. We feel that we have fulfilled our obligation to the Tampa Urban League.

Congratulations for conducting a successful and well run project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. D'Army Baily
Law Students Civil Rights
Reseach Council
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear D'Army:

Vernon is out of the office until September 1, and has asked me to reply to your letter of July 26. He wishes to thank you for sending him a copy of the LSCRRC Mid-year Auditors Report, and wishes you well in your new job. Under your direction it is evident that LSCRRC has become an effective voice for tomorrow's laywers of concern.

Allow me to congratulate you also. As director of LSCRRC you have done your job well and set an enviable example for your everysessor. D'Army, I wish for you every success in all your future endeavors.

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 6, 1968

Mr. Theodore Solotaroff
The New American Library, Inc.
1301 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ted:

I am going to be in New York some time during the two weeks beginning August 12th, and would like to come by and discuss the poverty book. I will call as soon as I know definitely what days I will be there.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW/vmb

August 6, 1968

Mr. Leslie Dunbar, Director
The Field Foundation
100 E. 85th Street
New York, New York

Dear Les:

I plan to be in your city some time during the two weeks beginning August 12th. I would like to talk with you while up there, if it is convenient. I will call when I know definitely when I will be there.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW/vmb

August 6, 1968

Mr. Gerald Freund
Associate Director
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Freund:

I will be in your city some time during the two weeks beginning August 12th. I am sorry I am not yet certain of the dates. I would like to come by and meet you, and discuss my plans for the coming year. But I do not want to impose on your time, and trust you will be frank enough to say if it is not convenient.

I will call on arrival.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW/vmb

I N T E R - O F F I C E C O O R R E S P O N D E N C E

TO: Ruth Vick

FROM: John Boone -- John Lewis

DATE: August 8, 1968

This is your authority to terminate the employment of Revelle Pergament, effective Tuesday, August 6, 1968.

JB:JL/vmb

Reading file
68-140

August 8, 1968

Mrs. Charles N. Kahn, Jr.
President
The League of Women Voters
of New Orleans
Gallier Hall
505 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Kahn:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the League of Women Voters of New Orleans for a grant to conduct a citizenship education program in New Orleans.

This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $200.00. We are also in agreement with your plans to withdraw the $62.19 balance from "Operation Registration". In order not to impede the progress of your program, we are making our deposit to the "Operation Registration" Account. Mrs. Sands is familiar with our reporting requirements and she will know what to do.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your citizenship education activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write to you regarding special reporting requirements.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating the amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) weekly report forms for your reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosures

Reading file

68-138

August 8, 1968

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
Post Office Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Citizenship Education Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Peach County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of six weeks to run from August 15 to September 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses @ $40.00 per week	$240.00	
(5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	$450.00	
Transportation	$250.00	
Printing and postage	$ 60.00	
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens. e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ;rh
Enclosure

August 9, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Viv:

The manuscript, along with the price quotations by Tommy Walker, is on my desk. I'll be back around the first of September. Tommy and I have discussed the job in detail and feel it is ready to go as soon as you give the green light.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

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August 9, 1968

Mr. Mark Sedlak
Catering Manager
The Atlanta Americana
Spring Street at Carnegie Way
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sedlak:

I thank you for your patience in awaiting my response to your letters. The conference of the interns of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council will be held on August 29-30, 1968.

We will require that there be reserved four double rooms and one single room for the conference days and the night of August 29 to accomodate the participants. I would like to know the check-out time on August 30, whether it can be extended if necessary, or whether we can extend the time for at least one room so that people may store their luggage if they must vacate their rooms before the conference sessions end.

I agreed with Mr. Gonzalez that we would have at our disposal both of the meeting rooms that he showed me. We will have our meals served in one of them and use them both for registration and conference activities. I would like to know if either of these rooms will not be at our disposal past any certain hours on the evening of August 29 and until what time we may use these facilities on August 30.

If possible, I would like the hotel to provide a small table for registration and a blackboard in each meeting room.

We have scheduled two meals for the conference. There

will be a dinner at 5:00 p.m. on August 29 and a luncheon served at noon on August 30. I am enclosing the menus that we have selected.

All of the expenses for the two meals and for the rooms will be paid for by the Voter Education Project. I will instruct conference participants not to bill meals eaten in your restaurant to the Voter Education Project.

Unless you think it necessary, I will wait until immediately before the conference to visit the hotel and make any required final arrangements.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council

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CONFERENCE OF THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT OF THE

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

MENUE

Dinner - August 29, 1968 5:00 p.m.

Tomato Juice
Fried Chicken
Idaho Baked Potato
Peas and Mushrooms
Hearts of Lettuce Salad
Apple Pie
Rolls, Butter, Iced Tea

Luncheon - August 30, 1968 12:00 noon

Cold Prime Rib on Italian Leaf
Potato Salad
Iced Tea

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August 9, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

RE: Refund to SRC

Please find attached my personal check in the amount of $24.05 as refund on travel allowance dated 7-29-68.

cc: Ruth Vick

August 9, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

Please put Mr. Floyd E. Cross on the mailing list for the South Carolina VEP newsletter. Mr. Cross is field representative for several community action programs in South Carolina and works out of the regional office of OEO. I am putting Mr. Cross and Mrs. Dora Cosse, also in the regional office, on the mailing list for our regional newsletter. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Mr. Floyd E. Cross
921 Myrtle Street, N. E.
Apartment T-3
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Mrs. Dora Cosse
4266 Peachtree - Dunwoody
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

August 9, 1968

Mrs. Gwen Oraucker
ECONO-CAR
Manger Hotel Lobby
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mrs. Oraucker:

Thank you very much for promptly sending the bill from Savannah. Thanks also for the information on ECONO-CAR. If I get back to Savannah I will call on you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 9, 1968

Mr. William Gordon
Room 430
United States Information Agency
1776 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20547

Dear Mr. Gordon:

I enjoyed talking to you this morning and I hope that our conversation proved helpful to you. Let me confirm a few of the statistics that I gave you this morning over the telephone.

In 1960 less than 60% of the total Negro population lived in the South. In 1965 only 53.6% of the nation's Negro population lived in the South. The largest percentage increase has been in the West, especially in California.

The Negro exodus from the rural areas is continuing. Southern migration to the North might have decreased somewhat because rural blacks are migrating to southern urban centers in increasing numbers and to the West as I noted. Atlanta is now 44% black and Houston is 23%. (I hope you will take into consideration that whites are moving to the surburbs).

According to the Fortune article that I mentioned this morning, 23% of the employed whites and 14% of the employed Negroes in the South hold jobs in manufacturing. Also 44% of the employed whites in the South and 9% of the employed Negroes hold white collar jobs.

In 1950, 492,000 Negroes were classified as farm

managers or proprietors. In 1960, 167,000 remained in this category. By 1970 the there will probably be fewer if any.

The University of Alabama does have 295 Negro students as you noted but this number is less significant when compared to a 18,039 white enrollment. The University of Georgia has 55 Negro students and 15,446 white students. The University of Mississippi has 79 Negro students and a white enrollment of 6,687.

I realize that the picture is bleak but unfortunately the conditions warrant the appraisal. The one bright spot (if you can call it a bright spot) seems to be increased Negro political participation as you noted on the phone. Some feel that even in this field, things will "lose steam" and level off in the near future. They feel that those Negroes who are registered and voting are the "cream of the crop" so to speak; that future registration efforts will be among the "hard core" and will not meet with previous successes. Of course this is only one school of thought but I thought you might be interested. I have enclosed the most recent Voter Education Project newsletters which will give you the information you wanted on political statistics.

I have also enclosed the Fortune magazine article that I referred to because I think it's the best thing I've seen on this in a while. You might take a look at the following books if you are interested in pursuing rural migation to the cities in depth.

Demographic Change And Racial Ghettos: The Crisis of American Cities (pamphlet). Hill, Herbert. You may get a copy through the NAACP, 20 West 40th St., New York, N.Y. 10018.

Jobs And Income For Negroes. Killingsworth, Charles. You should be able to get a copy through the National Manpower Policy Task Force, 818 Eighteenth St., Washington, D.C. 20006.

The Negro and the City. Adapted from a special issue of Fortune on: "Business and the Urban Crisis". New York: Time Life Books, 1968.

Please call me if you need more information on a specific area or if you would like me to clarify something I've said.

Again I hope that we have been of some help to you.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

Susan Morgan

Return file

August 9, 1968

Dr. G.W. C. Brown
Executive Secretary
The Tidewater Area Council for
Community Improvement
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mr. Brown:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 1 to Mr. Jordan. We are delighted to learn of your interest in voter registration in the Tidewater Area; however, at present, because of limited resources, we would be most interested in receiving proposals only from Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

As per your request, enclosed are copies of our guidelines. We invite you, at your earliest convenience, to submit us a proposal in keeping with these guidelines.

The Project will do whatever we can to support you in your effort.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: rh
Enclosure

August 9, 1968

Mr. Ray McNair
Division of
Behavioral Science Research
Carver Research Foundation of
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088

Dear Mr. McNair:

This is to acknowledge your letter of July 31.

The evaluation of Miss Pergament's assignment with the Community Organization and Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, is certainly a task which I happily assume. She has been the model of cooperation, determination and, most importantly, she maintains at all times a high degree of sensitivity in terms of the necessity to follow any assignment. Her ability to function with a sense of conviction and principle was a thing of awe. It was her drive, determination and the understanding of the process of social change that ignited her ability. It was her understanding of the process of social change, her drive and determination that really allowed for her ability to accomplish so much in such a short time.

Some of the functions that Miss Pergament performed are as follows:

A. <u>Assignments</u>

a. Reviewed proposals from grass-roots organizations for grants. Criteria used were need for the particular program, feasibility,

potential for success, use as a model or demonstration project for other communities, availability of funds from SRC or other sources, and determined whether sponsoring group was an ad hoc type committee or a "legitimate" indigenous group. Wrote follow-up inquiries for further information, if needed, and recommendations for funding.

b. Co-op Directory - Devised an outline for information needed from each of the member co-ops: current membership and officers, sources of funding, technical and managerial resources, assets and liabilities, and potential for successful growth. This was essentially a research and fact-finding project involving Miss Pergament's working closely with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives.

c. Sponsorship for the Federation - Wrote a proposal to seek new sources for funding, and technical and managerial assistance by organizing a Board of Sponsors to the Federation whose members would be drawn from the areas of commerce and industry.

d. Community Profile - Set up an outline for a community study which could be used by indigenous organizations. This was accompanied by a study of Lowndes County as an exemplary community profile. The profile will be published by SRC and distributed to grass-roots organizations.

e. Prepared a statement on future direction, goals, and strategy of the Project. This was submitted to Ford Foundation for Project refunding.

f. Brough new resources to the Federation - Miss Pergament set up a cooperative effort between the Federation and Georgia Mountain Arts, Inc., whereby experts from this crafts

cooperative will provide assistance to the Federation's crafts cooperatives in the form of artistic technical assistance, quality control, and marketing. The Federation will assist Georgia Mountain Arts with its more extensive program involving the indigenous people.

As a testament to her very excellent abilities, I can only give to her a superior rating of A+, which she has more than adequately earned. Certainly, at any time that befits Miss Pergament's needs, I would be more than willing to hire her.

I hope that these comments will be helpful to you in your overall evaluation of Miss Pergament's work. It has indeed been a pleasure to work with such a conscientious and capable person as Miss Pergament.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis
Director of Community Organization
and Education Project

JL/rh

cc: Miss Revelle Pergament
Mr. Paul Anthony

Randy file

August 9, 1968

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
Principal
Wedgewood High School
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida 32505

Dear Butch:

It was indeed wonderful to learn that the "good citizens" of Pensacola are still interested in voter registration.

The funds that are in your account can be used to reactivate your program; however, we invite you to submit a proposal setting forward your plans and suggested budget for the future program. I am personally delighted to learn that Mrs. Freeman will direct the program.

At your earliest convenience, let us have this proposal. The Project will give your program every consideration.

Again, it was good to hear from you. Give my regards to the members of your organization.

Sincerely,

Thad Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rh

Recency file
VEP 68-135

August 9, 1968

Mrs. Naniva Holmes
Director
Coffee County Voter Education Project
Tullahoma, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Holmes:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Coffee County Voter Education Project, for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Coffee County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your orogram in the amount of $1500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 15 to October 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses @ $40.00 per week	$320.00
Secretary's Expense @ $25.00 per week	200.00
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation	250.00

Office Supplies	$50.00	
Rent	100.00	
Printing and Postage	50.00	
Telephone	50.00	
		$1500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name andaaddress of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of thedeposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will wrie you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

August 9, 1968

Mr. Milton Meltzer
263 West End Avenue
New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Meltzer:

Since Mr. Jordan is out of the city, your letter of August 6, 1968 has been passed along to me. As requested we are enclosing a photo of Mr. Jordan. His exact title is Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director, Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 9, 1968

Mr. Michael Colpitts
4 East Warren Street
Raynham, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Colpitts:

Thank you for your letter of August 6, 1968. As requested we are enclosing a copy of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign."

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

FIELD TRIP - AUGUST 11, 1968 _ STATE CONVENTION - LOYAL DEMOCRATS OF MISSISSIPPI - TONY DUNBAR

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The Loyal Democrats of Mississippi met for their state convention on August 11, 1968. The convention was the last major test of the strength of the coalition of civil rights and political groups and whites and blacks that had held together through the months of exhaustive organizing from the precinct to the district, to the state level creating a legitimate challenge to the regular Democratic delegation. The Loyal Democrats could claim widespread support in Mississippi and could pledge loyalty to the national ticket, neither of which the regular delegation can likely do.

There were two conflicts that threatened the split the delegation. The one was between Robert Clarke and Charles Evers, both campaigning for National Committee Member. The other was the possibilty of a fight between the Humphrey and the McCarthy people. Aaron Henry, Oscar Carr and Hodding Carter stood behind Evers for National Committeeman. Laurence Guyot and the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party stood behind Robert Clarke. The MFDP won eight of the fifteen seats on the Nominations Committee, and that committee had endorsed Robert Clarke. In nominating slates of delegates-at-large and their alternates, all of the groups represented

on the Nominating Committee seemed to have cooperated, producing a racially balanced list of candidates. There was talk before the convention that a resolution might be put before the floor calling for a loyalty oath, binding the individual delegates to support the candidates elected in Chicago. It would have been very difficult for many McCarthy supporters to sign such an oath, so the convention could have suffered a walkout by McCarthy delegates or a schism between the Clarke and Evers factions.

Aaron Henry chaired the convention. After the convention was called to order, there was a prayer offered and then a recorded speech which Senator Robert Kennedy made after Dr. King's death. Representatives of McCarthy, Humphrey and the late Sen. Kennedy spoke before the convention.

Frank Mankiewicz spoke first for Kennedy. He called for law and order; not the law and order of the Republican Party, but the law and order that comes from strict gun control, a new welfare system and new job opportunities. He called on the Challenge Delegation to stand on these principles in Chicago and fight to have them included in the national platform. Mankiewicz did not mention the candidacy of Sen. McGovern.

Sen. Mondale spoke for Humphrey. He praised Sen. Kennedy and his committment to social justice. He asked the delegates to share that committment in Chicago. Mondale said that both he and Humphrey had backed the 1964 ruling that any delegation that could show widespread support had a right to be seated. He reported that Humphrey supported the Mississippi Challenge, which was sort of a bombshell, and he plugged Aaron Henry as being the head of a wonderful and natural coalition.

Henry referred to Percy Sutton as one of the first white men to come to demonstrate in Mississippi. Laurende Guyot in his introduction made it clear that Sutton was certainly not a white man. Sutton said that McCarthy was the only candidate with the committment to change and that anything else the man might require, Sutton could teach him. He affirmed that McCarthy supported the Challenge.

After pep talks by Hodding Carter, Spencer Oliver, President of the Young Democrats, and Bayard Rustin the Resolutions Committee presented their report, which was accepted. They declared that the voting age should be lowered to 18, that there should be no further escalation of the Vietnamese War, that OEO should not be dissolved and its programs given to other agencies and that the Challenge Delegation would support the national ticket. This last was

necessary for the basis of their challenge, and perhaps by its mildness, came as a relief to the delegates who support Sen. McCarthy for president.

The slates of delegates-at-large and their alternates proposed by the Nominating Committee were approved by a rollcall vote. There were many nominations to these positions from the floor, but the convention seemed both to have faith in the committee and to be very concerned that if each delegate's seat came up for a floor vote, the racial balance of the delegation would be upset and the challenge made that much less effective.

Fornthe position of National Committeeman the committee nominated Robert Clarke. Guyot immediately moved that the recommendation be accepted, but Henry declared that the vote on the nomination be delayed until after all other nominations and seconds were presencted. Charles Evers was nominated from the floor, a rock and roll band struck up his campaign song and for ten minutes the convention cheered and chanted, "We want Charles." Seconding speeches followed. Evers was praised for his record and for having been one of the first to stand up in Mississippi. Clarke's supporters said that it was time for Mississippi to put new men into national

prominence. Guyot's motion finally came before the body, and Clarke's nomination was rejected, three to one. After the vote was tallied, the convention began to break up.

I feel that this convention was a historic event. I am sure that the delegation will be seated, and I think that it is great that Mississippi will be represented in Chicago by those civil rights and political leaders who have survived the last ten years and who are backed by people who have only in these last years demanded and won their political voice.

It was quite evident throughout the convention that the Evers - Clarke fight was brewing. I did not particularly admire the tactics that the Evers faction used in helping their man. Though Henry stated time and time again that he was running the convention entirely objectively and wanted to avoid any complaints about the Chair, he still had Robert Clarke appointed parlimentarian and called for him to come to the platform, which Clarke did not do, while both Clarke and Evers were busy organizing their supporters on the floor. I did not like Evers' rock and roll band. The convention belonged to Evers. Once his name was placed in nomination, Clarke had no chance of winning. I think that by making a politicians

fight for a victory that was assured him, he strained what was already a tense relationship between the important men in Mississippi.

It is very good that the leaders of the MFDP are willing to engage in real political activity and join into a coalition with the other forces in the state. It was good that the more moderate organizations were careful not to act in difiance of all of the MFDP wishes. And it is very good, I think, that the convention seemed so united in its goals, and especially in its determination to accept nothing less than to be recognized as the rightful representatives in Mississippi of the National Democratic Party. I just hope that a breach between Clarke and Evers and their followers has not been created. After his election, Evers never offered to let the Clarke supporters back into good graces, and I very much fear that he may not forgive them. I do not think that Clarke was very much upset by the choice of the convention, but I think that the job of healing the wounds between the two men belongs to Evers. It will be a drastic mistake if the Loyal Democrats of Mississippi are not seated at the national convention. If the challenge fails I think that the civil rights establishment in the state, Carter, Carr and Henry and others, will find that their strength has been severly damaged. It is entirely

possible that the MFDP would not be willing in 1972 to again enter into a coalition party to challenge the regular delegation. If they were to do so, after a 1968 defeat, I do not think that they could claim the same radical, youthful makeup that they claim today.

August 12, 1968

Mrs. Annie Calhoun
Birmingham Urban League
505 North 17th Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Mrs. Calhoun:

I am sorry that we will not be able to supply you with recent statistical data on welfare, housing, health and employment in the Birmingham area. The majority of our statistical data in these fields is on a statewide basis and a large part of it based on the 1960 census to which I am certain you have access.

I might suggest a recent series of articles appearing in The Birmingham News which examined certain characteristics on a neighborhood by neighborhood basis. These articles were especially helpful in analyzing the housing situation in each area.

I might also suggest that you consult the Alabama Business Review published regularly by the University of Alabama.

For information on federal food programs adminstered in Birmingham, you might write the Consumer and Marketing Service of the Department of Agriculture, 1795 Peachtree Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

I hope that we have been of some help in your research.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

August 12, 1968

Mrs. J. Ben Stalvey
6780 S. W. 75th Terrace
South Miami, Florida 33143

Dear Betty Stalvey:

How good it is to hear from you. Of course you must be with us in the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned, October 23-24. Again, we will be meeting at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

Please let us know the name and address of the new Jurisdiction Secretary of Christian Social Relations.

You will receive more information about the workshop later on.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

August 12, 1968

Mrs. Joseph E. Lockridge
2120 Downing Avenue
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mrs. Lockridge:

Vernon Jordan asked that I send you the enclosed copy of the V.E.P. News, which notes on page two the death of your husband.

We have followed with interest the election of the Rev. Mr. Holmes to take the place of Dallas County's first Negro legislator. I am sure his overwhelming victory over 17 opponents in June can be attributed in part to the great esteem in which they held Rep. Lockridge.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

August 12, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations, Inc.
303 A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Mr. Joyce:

Thank you so much for your letter of August 9th. It was good to have a chance to chat with you. I hope we will have additional opportunities.

I am enclosing some SRC items which are related to housing in the context of Urban Planning. The only item I know of on the 1968 law is the NCDH leaflet. I am enclosing three copies of that.

With all of the best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

August 12, 1968

Mrs. Jay W. Murphy
Box 1574
University Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 3546

Dear Alberta:

Thank you so much for your gracious hospitality. It was most enjoyable and seeing you and Jay again made my trip perfect.'

For your information on the legal information and assistance, I am enclosing the following:

1. Know Your Rights
2. Know Your Government
3. Katal agte (see page 1 for Will D. Campbell's address)
4. New South

If you want additional copies of #1, write to SRC for them. If you would like to promote a #2 type of brochure for Alabama, I would suggest you contact Mr. Marvin Wall, Voter Education Project SRC.

Again thank you very, very much for a most enjoyable stay and very best to Jay.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

August 12, 1968

Dr. Emmet Parker
1[illegible]6 19th Street, East
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Dr. Parker:

It was a great pleasure for me to be a part of your meetings Thursday. I really think you are on the right track and will eventually have, if persistent, a "break through" with:

1. The local authority on

   a. Better handling of tenant relations and rules.

   b. Cooperation with and listening to the council on policy.

2. The Chamber of Commerce on the strengthening of the trade territory economy in promoting standard housing for all citizens.

I spoke to Mrs. Murphy concerning working with the promoter but be sure of legal protection.

I feel there are three values to working with the developers:

1. Making the deprived aware of opportunities.

2. Focusing more social awareness to project and solution.

3. Follow through after I talk with HUD, I will drop you another note.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

August 12, 1968

Mr. George J. Foster,
Associate Producer
CBS News
524 W. 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Foster:

Vernon Jordan requested that I send you the enclosed materials.

I'm sorry that we do not have the names of all the Negro delegates from the South to the 1968 national conventions. For the names of those delegates I have not supplied, I suggest that you call the state party headquarters in those states. We got many of our figures from them, and they were most cooperative.

If I can be of any further assistance,pplease let me know.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

Reply file

August 12, 1968

Mr. Glardes Wright
123 Pennington Street'
Ripley, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Wright:

Thank you very much for the time you spent with me while I was in Ripley. It was good seeing you again and I trust that you and your family are doing well.

My investigation of the projects in Fayette, Haywood, Hardeman and Tipton Counties indicated that the work was definitely being done. However, Fayette seemes to be having problems stemming from what it seems is the reluctance of the registrar to register Negroes in the County. I hope that at your convenience you will call a meeting of the five counties to talk about problems they are having.

Another thing I would like for you to consider doing is to provide some assistance to the other counties in their attempts to get deputy registrars. People like Mr. Parram and Mrs. Rogers are very interested in securing deputy registrars in their respective counties.

Hopefully I will return to West Tennessee before

the termination of the various projects. Until then take care.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR;rh

Reading file

August 12, 1968

Mrs. Elma Rogers
309 N Bradford Street
Brownsville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

It was a pleasure meeting with you and Mrs. Johnson on Wednesday. I was impressed by the work you have been doing in Heywood County and hope for your continued success.

Under separate cover I am sending you some materials that might aid you with your campaign.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

Reply to

August 12, 1968

Mrs. Eula Towes
Rt. 4 Box 16A
Somerville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Towes:

It was a pleasure to havw met with you while I was in Fayette County. I am sorry members of the project have had problems getting sufficient funds for transportation, but as I indicated to you we are not adverse to allowing more than the $8.00 per week you mentioned to me. I hope you have informed Mr. Mickerson of this.

Please express my regrets Mto Mickerson for not having had the ppportuhity to meet him. I hope I will have the chance to meet him and the task force workers when I return to West Tennessee.

Best Wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon E. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

Reply to

August 12, 1968

Mr. Emanuel Parram
Rt3 Box 173A
Whiteville, Tennessee

Dear Mr Parran:

It was a pleasure to have talked with you on Thursday. I was impressed by the work you and your staff have been doing in Hardaman County. I hope you have continued success in your campaign.

Please convey my very best wishes to Mrs. Parram and tell her that I enjoyed the meal very much.

Until next time take care and good luck.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

FIELD TRIP - AUGUST 12, 1968 - DEKALB COUNTY VOTERS LEAGUE - LITHONIA, GEORGIA - TONY DUNBAR

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Tuesday evening I drove over to Lithonia, Georgia to watch the first citizenship education session of the DeKalb County Voters League. The organization applied for a grant for registration sometime ago. They registered some 800 people before the primary closing date and had still not been funded. The second stage of their program is citizenship education.

The Voters League is sort of an odd coalition of local black leadership, headed by Jim McLain, and the League of Women Voters in Dekalb County. McLain has apparently not been devoting much time to the project, and the people who are really running it are three League of Women Voters ladies, Mrs. McNay, Mrs. Moran and Mrs. Wilson and the project secretary, Michael Rogers, a Clark student. These four recruited seven task force workers to canvass communities, and, with the help of Lucious Sanders they were able to set up their pilot project in Lithonia. S

Sanders selected a half-dozen teenagers from Lithonia, and they underwent a training session given by the League ladies in the use of the votomatic, county and state officials and their duties and how to conduct a meeting.

Lithonia was the first site for the classes. The first meeting, the one I attended, was supposed to be on the use of the votomatic, and the second, Monday, August 19, was to be on "issues and candidates." The Lithonia community was invited to the first meeting, in Union Baptist Church, as well as a team of Scottdale young people, scheduled to be trained themselves to lead classes in their own town, and representatives of 25 other DeKalb County communities who were being asked to help set up programs in their areas. Lucious Sanders predicted that over 200 people would come. About 35 did, and no one from outside Lithonia.

The meeting began a little late. As each person entered, he was asked whether he were a Democrat or a Republican. He was then escorted to the proper table in the front of the church, given a sample ballot and shown how to punch it through the votomatic. The procedure was demonstrated by the students trained in Lithonia. After everyone had tried the machine there were two or three presentations by students explaining voting regulations and the Voting Rights Act. A lot of people asked questions about who and what they could take into the voting booth, and only once or twice did the students refer the questions to McNay, Wilson or Moran. The first class was scheduled to end at this point, but McNay

decided to go on to a discussion of county officials and repeat the entire session the following week.

Though the students were not prepared for this, they, with Mrs. Moran's help, gave a fairly good rundown on the candidates for county and state offices. After a final question period, the meeting broke up. The students, Rogers and the three ladies got together for an evaluation period. They concluded that the meeting had been too long, which I certainly would agree with, that their publicity had been inadequate, and that they had not succeededdin bringing home to the people the relevance of county and state politics to their lives. One reason for this failing I think is that the students were unprepared to give their lectures at that meeting. Another reason may be that the ladies from the League of Women Voters have no clear understanding of what in government is important to people in a little town like Lithonia.

I believe, however, that they are running their project intelligently. They intend to go into each community in DeKalb County, either on their own initiative or at the request of local leaders, canvass the area, train a handful of selected local young people and help them to teach classes in their own community themselves. Classes are already scheduled for Sunday, August 18 in several Scottdale churches. Mrs. Wilson said that two other

communities have already requested the meetings. The ladies hope to have at least two meetings each week.

I am very much interested in the DeKalb County project because of the work that Pat and I did in Houston County last summer. I think this project will be more successful than ours was. In few counties, however, are there organizations with the resources of the League of Women Voters. There are few counties where the local leadership is so well developed in such a large area. And there are few counties where the young people are interested in and willing to do this kind of work. If attendance at the meetings picks up, this program will be very useful for DeKalb County.

Mike Rogers, who is pretty much doing the work of project director, impresses me very much. I don't think a whole lot of Mrs. McNay or Mrs. Moran, but Mike says that they know when to interfere and when not to interfere. Mrs. Wilson, I believe, received the Model Citizen Award last year from the Atlanta Conference of Christians and Jews. Mrs. Moran, incidently, is on the state board of the League of Women Voters. If this project works out, she intends to ask at least the Augusta and Macon Leagues to attempt similar projects.

The DeKalb County project has every chance for success. I think that they are providing us with a good model for citizenship projects in other urban and semi-urban counties. I think that the use of the

votomatic demonstration as the focal point in their citizenship classes is as good and appropriate andidea as the use of the topic of Food Stamps as the keypoint in community meetings proved to be in the Orangeburg project.

August 13, 1968

Mr. Archie G. Ross
Route 1, Box 22
Flovilla, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ross:

The Secretary of State's office could not give me the information you requested about the duties of county commissioners, but they suggested that I write to the Institute of Government at the University of Georgia. Enclosed is a copy of the letter I wrote to the Institute asking that they send you the information. I hope you will receive it in time for your meeting Saturday night.

The State Highway Department says that there are 148 Miles of paved roads in Butts County. (The exact figure is 147.87 miles.)

If we can be of any further help, please let me know. Thank you again for the help you gave us.

Yours truly,

(Miss Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

August 13, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is the check for your expenses. As always, I very much appreciated the time and interest you gave to this.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

August 13, 1968

Mr. Howard J. Samuels
Administrator
Small Business Administration
U. S. Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Samuels:

May I extend my congratulations to you on your appointment as Administrator of the Small Business Administration. I do hope you will call on us if we can be of any possible assistance to you.

Would you be good enough to have someone in your office send us any information available on your 502 Program?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 13, 1968

Institute of Government
Law Building
University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia 31601

Dear Sirs:

Mr. Archie G. Ross, a candidate for the county commission of Butts County, has asked me to furnish him information on the duties of county commissioners in Georgia. The Secretary of State's office informs me that you can furnish him that information.

Could you please send the material directly to Mr. Ross at the following address: Rt. 1, Box 22, Flovilla, Ga.

He would like to receive the information in time for a candidates' meeting Saturday night, August 17. Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

cc. Mr. Ross

bc: John H. Wheeler

August 13, 1968

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Al:

Certainly I understand about the conflict with our meeting on September 14th. I will share your letter with the Nominating Committee when it meets next month. Also, I would like to give the matter more thought before commenting further.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Sent to orig. J. Wood

August 13, 1968

Miss Fay Bennett
National Sharecroppers Fund
112 East 19th Street
New York, New York 10003

Dear Fay:

I will reserve Saturday, September 7 for your meeting. Needless to say, our facilities are available should you wish to make use of them.

It does occur to me, however, would not it be better for Jim Wood to represent us, since he attended the first meeting and is very interested in this matter?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 13, 1968

The Reverend James F. Scherer
Secretary
Department of Catholic Social Services
Archdiocese of Atlanta
329 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Father Scherer:

We are pleased to know of Father Clarke's appointment, and have added him to our mailing list. We will, of course, be happy to work with him in any way we can.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Father Aloysius R. Clarke

MEMORANDUM August 13, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: Paul Anthony

The Department of Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Atlanta has appointed The Reverend Aloysius R. Clarke, O.S.B. as Administrator of its new Office of Urban and Rural Concern. Please add Father Clarke to our mailing list as follows:

The Reverend Aloysius R. Clarke, O.S.B.
25 Boulevard, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30312

August 13, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina 27706

Dear Sam:

I do understand your inability to be at the meeting on Saturday. It was a very good meeting, and I think we got some real work done.

Just to show you there is no conspiracy, the Executive Committee meeting is set for Saturday, September 14th, and I do hope this one is convenient for you.

Incidentally, relative to your reading on the Radical Right and the New Left, we hope to prepare a packet of materials of especially thoughtful stuff to distribute to the members of the Council before they meet in November. I

would be grateful if you would call our attention to anything you think should be considered.

Hope you and Sylvia are having a good week.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

bc: Vernon E. Jordan

August 13, 1968

Dr. John F. T. Murray
Professor of Law
The University of Georgia
School of Law
Athens, Georgia 30601

Dear Dr. Murray:

Enclosed is our check for $500 representing scholarship aid for Mr. Robert Benham. Subject to Mr. Benham's satisfactory work during the fall, and your recommendation in January 1969, we will be prepared to make a second payment of $500 toward Mr. Benham's expenses for the year.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 13, 1968

Mr. George McMillan
5 Baltimore Place, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear George:

Enclosed is the copy of your outline. I appreciated very much your sharing it with me. It is excellent and exciting. And, while I understand your not rushing it, I hope this one can be published as soon as possible. We need it!

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

August 13, 1968

Dr. James R. Oliver
P. O. Box 2992
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear Jim:

On Saturday our special committee of state directors and SRC Executive Committee members met to determine what aid would be forthcoming during 1969. Nothing can be official, of course, until our full Executive Committee acts on these recommendations and, more importantly, until we know what commitment the Ford Foundation will make for our state aid program next year. (This we hope to know by mid-September.)

However, the special committee, while expressing some disappointment at the difficulties being experienced by the Louisiana Council, nevertheless felt that it is likely that the Council would and should be supported in 1969. This decision was made contingent on the following three state directors making a visit to Louisiana to talk with you, Pat and others: John McCown, Kenneth Dean, and Elijah Coleman. They will be in touch with you about this visit.

For the moment, and being mindful of the above information, I think you can tentatively plan on continued support with the understanding that we will be able to give you more meaningful information, hopefully, within the next month but certainly by the end of September.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: John McCowen
Kenneth Dean
Elijah Coleman
M rs. Patricia Miller

August 13, 1968

The Reverend Martin England
American Baptist Convention
Southern Regional Office
P. O. Box 10201
Greenville, South Carolina 29603

Dear Martin:

I shall be more than happy to hear from Dr. McCan, and to be of any possible assistance to him.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 13, 1968

Mr. Theodore Freedman
Southern Office
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
1513 Melrose Building
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Ted:

Please forgive me this delay in responding to your letter of August 2, but vacation time is making life difficult for us.

I have read Dr. Nelson's proposal and am very interested in it. My only problem is that should we join you, this should be funded from our Voter Education Project budget. Vernon Jordan is away from the office for the entire month, and Marvin Wall, the Director of Research for the project, has been away since this was received. My inclination is to urge that this be funded through the VEP, but I would like to check it with them first. I hope this can be done no later than next week. If this gives you problems, please give me a call

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

cc: Mr. Oscar Cohen

August 13, 1968

Mr. Paul Wahrhaftig
Community Consultant
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
41 Exchange Place, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Paul:

Forgive me this delay in thanking you for the flyer from Memphis. I very much appreciate your sending it to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mrs. Celeste Warner
Director
S.F.C.V.E.P.
121 W. Davis
Forrest City, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Warner:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 12. Enclosed was your weekly report. We are returning your report along with another copy of our Reporting Requirements and ask that you and members of your organization re-read. The report must be signed by the person responsible for reporting. In addition we will need supporting documents for:

John Shaw rent $15.00

We will need to know the name of the co-director and the workers who received funds as indicated in your report. May we have this information at your earliest convenience, so as not to further impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/rlw
Enclosures

August 14, 1968

Mr. William L. Norton, Jr.
221 East Broad Street Building
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

Dear Mr. Norton:

This is to acknowledge your letter of August 14, 1968. Regretfully Mr. Jordan is out of the city on vacation until the first of September. However, I am sure that on his return he will be most interested to hear of your candidacy.

Sincerely,

Margaret Chanin
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/mc

Reading file

August 14, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina VEP
336½ E. Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Due to the fact that more interns than expected are terminating their employment with us on August 15, I am cancelling the VEP Intern Conference scheduled for August 29-30. I regret any inconvenience this has caused you in arranging your own schedule.

I will send you whatever material I collect from the interns concerning their recommendations for the project next summer.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Intern Project
Voter Education Project

TD:sh

Reading file

August 14, 1968

Mr. James Felder
South Carolina VEP
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jim:

Due to the fact that more interns than expected are terminating their employment with us on August 15, I am cancelling the VEP Intern Conference scheduled for August 29-30. I regret any inconvenience this has caused you in arranging your own schedule.

I will send you whatever material I collect from the interns concerning their remommendations for the project next summer.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Intern Project
Voter Education Project

TD:rh

Ready file

August 14, 1968

Dr. Sam D. Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Sam:

Due to the fact aht more interns than expected are terminating their employment with us on August 15, I am cancelling the VEP Intern Conference scheduled for August 29-30. I regret a any inconvenience this has caused you in arranging your own schedule.

I will send you whatever material I collect from the interns concerning their recommendations for the project next summer.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Intern Project
Voter Education Project

TD:rh

Reading file

August 14,,1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
1812 Third Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Bill:

Due to the fact that more interns than expected are terminating their employment with us on August 15, I am cancelling the VEP Intern Conference scheduled for August 29-30. I regret any inconvenience this has caused you in arranging your own schedule.

I will send you whatever material I collect from the interns concerning their recommendations for the project next summer.

Sincerely,

Tony Dunbar
Intern Project
Voter Education Project

TD:rh

August 14, 1968

Mrs. Eleanor T. Vaughan
Vaughan Associates
222 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Dear Mrs. Vaughan:

I am terribly sorry that it has taken so long to get the enclosed off to you. The problem with the Xerox machine seemed to be more involved than I had thought.

Because of the pressure of other work, Miss Manderson has not yet given me the dope for the illustrations. This will be forwarded later.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith
Director of Urban Planning

MGS/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mr. William A. Walker, Jr.
Union Transfer & Storage Company
155 East Wilson Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53701

Dear Mr. Walker:

This is to advise you that this agency will be responsible for the full cost of moving Dr. Emory Via from Madison to Atlanta.

We can be reached here at any time during the course of a normal working day and your representative, on arrival, should ask for either me or Mr. James N. Wood. Should your representative need to be in touch with us during the evening or over a weekend, he can reach Mr. Wood at the following address and telephone number: 1031 Springdale Road, N. E., 378-5186.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Emory F. Via

August 14, 1968

Mr. Sarge Ruck
Integrated Education
343 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Mr. Ruck:

Certainly we will be happy to do anything possible to assist you, although I am not at all sure of how effective our help will be. (with our own magazine, New South, we share this problem of adequate circulation.)

Enclosed is a list of addresses of state Councils. You might want to write each director asking if they would consider promoting the magazine in their newsletters.

Should you wish, and if you have an appropriate flyer, we would be happy to address them from this office to those mailing lists we have, which we think ought to be interested. For this purpose we could circulate from 5000 - 6000. Our past experience, largely in book promotion, has not been especially encouraging, but this is a possibility.

If you have not done so, you might also wish to ask for the assistance of some of the teachers associations in this region. There is a possibility that the Florida Education Association would be interested. The leadership of that group is quite good.

If I get any other ideas, I will share them with you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

August 14, 1968

Dr. A. D. Beittel
1666 Lelia Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39216

Dear Dan:

Enclosed are samples of several things which we have on hand in sufficient quantity for your mailing. I would suggest the reprint, "What Happened After You Desegregated the White School," but will leave the choice up to you.

At least for this first mailing there will be no charge, since we would like to help you in any way possible from this end.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

Green & original returned to Paul Anthony for follow-up with Atl. rep. (See Shad Olive's reply of Aug. 15, 1968)

August 14, 1968

Mr. Robert B. Flanagan
Executive Secretary
Atlanta Branch NAACP
859½ Hunter Street, N. W., Suite 105
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Flanagan:

Thank you for the report of the excellent work you have been accomplishing in Atlanta. I am forwarding your request for a grant to the staff of our Voter Education Project, and you will be hearing from them shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail

August 14, 1968

Mr. Horace N. Barker, Jr.
Hiwassee College
Madisonville, Tennessee 37354

Dear Mr. Barker:

While it is necessary for me to have a very flexible schedule this month, I hope to be in the office on the morning of Monday, August 19th, and would be happy to see you then. It might be well if you were to give this office a collect call on the morning of the 16th to confirm that I will be here and that you are coming.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mr. Arnold H. Leibowitz
Director
Office of Technical Assistance
Economic Development Administration
U. S. Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C. 20230

Dear Arnold:

This morning Ray Marshall and I had a very long conference about a proposal which he will discuss with you next week in Washington. I shall be very interested to get your reaction to it.

Don't give up on Lucius Pitts; he's a good man and heavily overworked. I shall be disappointed if sooner or later he does not make an effort to talk with you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Dr. Lucius Pitts
President
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Lucius:

You may recall that some time ago I mentioned that Arnold Leibowitz, Director, Office of Technical Assistance, Economic Development Administration, U. S. Department of Commerce, was interested in discussing with you the possibility of funding a program with Miles College to give development assistance to groups in Birmingham and, perhaps, an even larger area. If you have the ~~information~~ inclination and can ever find the time, I think there might be a significant amount of money in this.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. Helen Furman

August 14, 1968

Mr. Joel Rosenthal
Graduate School Research
Texas Southern University
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Rosenthal:

We have done no formal follow-up on our Orangeburg study, though we have had visits from several people from there since then. The Community Relations Commission of the Justice Department did become interested in the Orangeburg situation and I believe the staff person who was responsible for this is Mr. Robert Hughes of the Atlanta office. I am sharing your inquiry with Mr. Hughes, and know that he will be in touch with you if he can provide further information.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

I regret that the potential donor for your student program has rejected the proposal. We could provide, perhaps, a couple hundred dollars from our budget if this would help. Would it?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mr. Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman for Minorities
The Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Dear Louis:

A letter today from Frank Adams, Director of the Virginia Council, informs me that the trip which he and Don Anderson made to New York, with our help, has produced enough results to tide them over, and holds out the promise of more substantial financial support.

Luck in Chicago!

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
Chief Justice Homes, Inc.
305 Metropolitan Building
151 South Fifth Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40202

Dear Dorcas:

Completely because of my own fault I mislaid your letter of July 2nd. Please forgive me.

Needless to say, the disposition of the remaining funds are completely up to the Kentucky Council. My suggestion would be that you either give them to worthy causes there or send them to us designated for "emergency programs in the deep South." In case of the latter, we would not return these funds to our treasury, but would spend them on the neediest causes that come to our attention on an emergency basis.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 14, 1968

Mr. Ray H. MacNair
Research Associate
Division of Behavorial Science Research
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama
36088

Dear Mr. MacNair:

Enclosed is an evaluation on Miss Revelle Pergament prepared by Mr. John Boone who supervised part of her work with us. I believe that on August 9th you were sent an evaluation prepared by Mr. John Lewis.

There must be some misunderstanding, since I felt that Miss Pergament's work with us was well in keeping with want had been originally planned. Certainly, I believe she was given exposure and responsibility in sound areas of professional planning. I, too, have a high regard for the quality of Miss Pergament's work, and for her potential in her profession.

Do come to visit us whenever you are in Atlanta.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

PA/mmj
Enclosures

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

Reading File

August 14, 1968

Mr. Jim Finney
NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York

Dear Jim:

Enclosed please find our to-date partial list of the Negro candidates in Georgia. As names are added I will forward them to you.

Enclosed also please find a copy of the letter sent to candidates and a copy of the Georgia Election Code.

I will be in touch with you next week.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Edcuation Project

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August 15, 1968

Mr. Tom Cordy
Citizens Trust Company
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Cordy:

Pursuant to our conversation of August 14, 1968, please find the enclosed signed signature card for the Dekalb Voter Education Project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

TO:rlw

Enclosure

August 15, 1968

Dobbs House Newsstand
Memphis Airport
Memphis, Tennessee

Attention: Mr. Jerry Barbazon

Dear Mr. Barbazon:

We are forwarding to you by Railway Express thirty (30) copies of our magazine, New South. They are being transmitted with the newsstand price of $1.00 with 40% newsstand discount. They are fully returnable and we would appreciate having the unsold copies returned intact, postage collect. If this is not possible, we will accept covers only.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor

RA/mmj

August 15, 1968

Aero Newsstand
Washington National Airport
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

We are forwarding to you by Railway Express one hundred (100) copies of our magazine, New South. They are being transmitted with the newsstand price of $1.00 with 40% newsstand discount. They are fully returnable and we would appreciate having the unsold copies returned intact, postage collect. If this is not possible, we will accept covers only.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor

RA/mmj

August 15, 1968

Allan Eber Company
Stapleton International Airport
Denver, Colorado 80207

Dear Sirs:

q We are forwarding to you by Railway Express fifty (50) copies of our magazine, New South. They are being transmitted with the newsstand price of $1.00 with 40% newsstand discount. They are fully returnable and we would appreciate having the unsold copies returned intact, postage collect. If this is not possible, we will accept covers only.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor

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August 15, 1968

Terminal Newsstand
Miami International Airport
Miami, Florida 33159

Dear Sirs:

We are forwarding to you by Railway Express thirty (30) copies of our magazine, New South. They are being transmitted with the newsstand price of $1.00 with 40% newsstand discount. They are fully returnable and we would appreciate having the unsold copies returned intact, postage collect. If this is not possible, we will accept covers only.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor

RA/mmj

August 15, 1968

Mr. Norman Cousins
President
Saturday Review, Inc.
380 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Cousins:

Each year in November this agency has a meeting of its membership. A list of members is attached. During the course of that meeting there is an Annual Dinner at which members, staff, spouses, and a selected number of guests come to hear a distinguished speaker. This year our dinner session will be held on November 14th at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta. This is to invite you to be our speaker at that occasion.

Speakers in recent years have been Mr. Roy Wilkins, Dr. Kenneth Clark, Dr. C. Vann Woodward, and Governor LeRoy Collins.

The Council is a body of 100 Southerners concerned with regional development, generally, and with the achievement of a democratic society and, of course, a completely integrated one in

particular. A brief description of the organization is attached.

Should you be able to accept this invitation we will be responsible for your expenses and are prepared to offer you a modest honorarium of $300.00.

While it is not essential, we request that our speaker have a text of his remarks and allow us to publish them if we so choose.

The subject would be completely your own choosing. We would, however, be intrigued to hear your comments on the role of the media in the midst of the great internal issues of our times.

We very much hope you will find it possible to accept our invitation, and shall be grateful to you if you choose to do so.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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August 15, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street, Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

I left a call at your office since I am anxious to talk with you about your last letter, and several other pressing matters. If you have not talked with me by the time you receive this, do give me a call at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] A 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

August 15, 1968

Dear Friend:

You may have already received a notice that the annual workshop of "The Fellowship of the Concerned" will be held October 23-24 at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

This is a most important meeting. This year, 1968, has been proclaimed "International Human Rights Year"--the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of "The Declaration of Human Rights."

We will build our workshop on a study of our part in making 1968 a truly "International Human Rights Year." (By the way, the U. N. set-up of the three-week conference on this was held at Teheran, Iran.) The ruler of Iran reminded the group that 2000 years ago Cyrus, the Great, of Persia (now Iran),was the first ruler to issue a document on human rights. You might like to read about Cyrus, the Great, in the Old Testament.

The days of the seven and one-half months of 1968 were both full of evil and full of good at the same time. Truly 1968 was "the best of times, the worst of times:" riots, not only in the United States but in many countries, war, discriminations, revolt of our youth, injustice, crime, etc., that tear us apart.

At the same time, there have been great international conferences that bind the world together: "Peace Through International Law," The Peace Conference at Prague," The World Council of Churches."

Our evening session will be reports from people who attended these conferences.

Our first morning session will be given over to the problems that beset us, the afternoon will be discussion groups.

October 24 - Reports of discussion groups, an address by a world leader, a Consecration Service--a pledge to carry on.

As usual, your entertainment, hotel, and meals will be taken care of by the Southern Regional Council.

For your convenience, we are enclosing a self-addressed postal card. Please fill in the card completely and return to us by October 1st. We will make your hotel reservations for you. (We know that some of you will have to come a day early, October 22, please indicate this also so we may make your reservations accordingly.)

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

August 15, 1968

Mr. Raymond Wheeler
3724 Warrington Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Ray:

I am sorry not to have sent these to you before now. I really thought that they had been mailed. I hope that these will be informative.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

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Reading file

August 15, 1968

Mr. Robert B. Flanagan
Executive Secretary
Atlanta Branch, NAACP
859½ Hunter Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Flanagan:

Your letter of August 13 to Mr. Paul Anthony has been passed on to me for reply. We have read with interest of your recent activities, and on behalf of the Voter Education Project may we commend you and members of the Branch for a most successful voter registration program.

Our director, Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. is out of the office until September 5; therefore no immediate action can be taken on your proposal.

We appreciate your interest and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rh

August 15, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

August 15, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to the North Carolina, South Carolina and Louisiana statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

August 15, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

August 16, 1968

Miss Stacey Winter
Room 402
150 East 52nd Street
New York City, New York 10022

Dear Miss Winter:

Enclosed is the voter registration table for the Southern states which I mentioned in our telephone conversation. As nearly as I have been able to determine, the figure for Mississippi is as of September, 1967. Mr. Marvin Wall, our director of research who constructed the table, is on vacation and could not be contacted to verify the date.

You might be interested to know that just prior to passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act, only 35,000 Negroes in Mississippi were registered--or 8.3 per cent of the black voting age population. During the first two years after passage of the act, almost 52,000 persons were registered by federal examiners alone. Mississippi now has the highest ratio of Negro to white voters in the South.

If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

August 16, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street, Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

This will attempt to summarize a part of our telephone conversation of this morning. More particularly, it is to spell out the recommendations concerning Virginia as made by the special committee which met on Saturday, August 10th to determine the viability of the several Councils.

For Virginia the Committee recommended that if the Council continues to operate with at least one professional person that the Council should be considered viable and invited to submit project proposals to SRC. Such proposals would, of course, have to reflect the guidance of SRC on the total sum available and the total number of Councils from whom applications were expected. The Committee further recommended that this status of viability be contingent on the Virginia Council continuing in the human relations movement, since the state directors reported to the Committee that VCHR was considering changing its

name and substantially altering its purposes. If the Council is determined non-viable because of this recommendation, the Committee strongly urged that SRC make every effort to find other means of assisting Virginia financially. Their rationale was simply that these funds were designated for project support for Councils on Human Relations and would have to be limited to that.

Please understand, and should it come up, please also reassure your Executive Committee, that this recommendation and my transmitting it to you is by no means the least effort to influence you or your policy group to make these important decisions. Quite the contrary, it was the opinion of all of us that there were some serious reasons why such changes should be examined, and that should the changes be made, all of us should follow the results closely to determine whether or not the changes were applicable and desirable for other Councils.

Do keep me informed and please know that whatever decisions are made, I stand ready to be of any possible assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 16, 1968

Mr. Theodore Freedman
Southern Director
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
1513 Melrose Building
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Ted:

This is to follow-up our telephone conversation of yesterday in which we agreed that ADL and SRC would co-sponsor the proposal for research in Alabama to be directed by Professor Harold Nelson. This research is to be done at a cost of no more than $2,672.00 which is to be shared equally by both ADL and SRC. We are to have the further understanding with Professor Nelson that the two agencies shall have the first rights to publish the results of the study with such form and with such distribution as we see fit.

The funds, which SRC is responsible for, are to be paid from our Voter Education Project and will be transmitted to you on request.

It's a pleasure to be in trouble with ADL again, as it always is.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Oscar Cohen

August 19, 1968

Dear Al:

I am very sorry that I didn't make it to the mountain during the weekend. I will visit you and Robin before the summer is over.

We di get a copy of your report off to Lamond Goodwin as you requested. Al, have you had an opportunity to do any additional work on the report?

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Al Ulmer
Box P.O. Box 204
Vilas, North Carolina 28692

August 19, 1968

Mrs. Mary Styer
Personnel Office
Interstate Commerce Commission
12th and Constitution Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Styer:

Ken Horowitz was an intern at the Southern Regional Council during the summer of 1967. He is intelligent, capable, and an extremely conscientious worker. He provided the bulk of an analysis of the Jefferson County and the Macon County school desegregation decisions which the Southern Regional Council plans to publish in September, 1968.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

GB:js

August 19, 1968

Hass, Holland, Freeman, Levison,
and Gibert
2709 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sirs:

Please send us a copyright registration form for the spring issue of NEW SOUTH, 1968.

Enclosed are two copies of this issue.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Requested by: GB

August 19, 1968

Mr. Leland P. Sillin, Jr.
Urban America
111 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Sillin:

If possible, please send us the complete addresses of the following and where applicable, the name of the person to whom correspondence should be addressed:

Mr. Howard (Tree) Henry
12th and Oxford Filmmaker Corp.
Philadelphia

The Rev. Jesse James
Mission Rebels in Action
San Francisco

Thugs United
New Orleans

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

August 20, 1968

Mrs. J.A. Ramos
Project Chairman
Jefferson County VEP
Arkansas A M & N College
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Ramos:

Enclosed please find forms for registration reporting by projects. We need the information on these forms to aid us in our research efforts.

Best of luck for a successful program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

August 20, 1968

Mr. Ed Stanfield
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin
Texas

Dear Ed:

Here is the clip on the Indians.

Dugger's home phone is GL2-1013. All next week he'll be up in Chicago helping run the country.

Watch out for Arapahoes mounted on tricycles.

Glenda Bartley

Rougeau

AUGUST 20, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Louisiana

The following is a report of a field trip I made to the state of Louisiana, from Thursday, July 11 through Saturday, July 13, 1968. The following projects were visited: 2nd Ward Voters League in Baton Rouge; the LaRose Project in Scotlandville; the Iberia Parish Project in New Iberia; the Pointe Coupee Parish Project in New Roads; the West Feliciana Parish Project in St. Francisville; the Rapides Parish Project in Alexanderia; the Grant Parish Project in Colfax, and the East Carroll, West Carroll, Morehouse, and Tensas Parishes Project in Lake Providence. During the course of my stay I also sat in on a workshop for Louisiana Elected Negro Officials at Southern University in Baton Rouge, and was pleased to attend a call meeting of the Steering Committee of the Louisiana VEP.

FIELD REPORT #26

2nd WARD VOTERS LEAGUE

The project of the 2nd Ward Voters League was the first project I looked into. The usual questions relating to the progress of the drive, problems, methods of operation, etc. were asked to ascertain what had actually been done. And as usual, I was given the usual answers relating to those questions; everything was going well, there were no problems, basically, they were canvassing and transporting prospective registrants to the courthouse in Baton Rouge.

Mr. Richard Turnley, Director of the 2nd Ward Voters League Project was out of the city to attend a credit union school at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He was scheduled to return on the 22nd. Serving in his absence was Mr. Frank Anderson. I talked with Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Deloris Gibbons, secretary to the project.

Both persons were very cooperative during the course of my interview with them. They showed me the records of their progress and while I was in the office Mr. Anderson had to make several calls to transport persons desirous of registering to the registration office. From all indications everything was in order.

At the time I was in the 2nd Ward Voters League office almost 225 persons had been registered and all indications were that they were continuning their work throughout the 2nd Ward and other parts of Baton Rouge. So you might say that we have no quarrel with this project.

At the time we talked about funding two projects in Baton Rouge, namely the 2nd Ward Voters League and the LaRose Project, we envisioned some kind of collaboration between those two parties. I found that there has been absolutely no collaboration. On one hand, the 2nd Ward Voters League say that the LaRose people have been uncooperative; and, on the other hand, the LaRose people make the same claim and say that the 2nd Ward Voters League membership really does not want them in Scotlandville. Hence where we hoped for unity there is disunity and I am afraid that there is nothing that we can do about it. The question that will face us in the future will be whether we will repeat this kind of funding. It is my feeling that we have put in enough money in Baton Rouge.

LAROSE PROJECT

The LaRose project has not been doing very much in terms of getting people registered to vote. I was told that they have been having a number of problems getting their workers settled in Scotlandville, since they are students from Southern University and for the most part are not from the Baton Rouge area. They have had some difficulty in finding housing. So a great part of the early phase of their campaign was spent trying to get themselves situated in the area.

REGISTRATION GAINS NOT IMPRESSIVE

The gains they have made in registration are not impressive to say the least. I told this to the members of LaRose when I met with them, and I indicated that it was absolutely necessary that we have greater production than we have seen coming from that area. I also stressed the necessity for their project to succeed, in as much as we made this grant to them because we felt students had a very definite contribution to make in the area of voter registration, and we were, in a sense, giving them a chance to prove themselves. I think they understood this as they are aware of our grant making process. They are also aware of the fact that people like Jewel Prestage and Shelbey Lewis and Alex Willingham of the Political Science Department at Southern University have put a lot of trust in them, and have defended them in the past to a large number of critics in the Baton Rouge area. They know that when the re-registration period begins in Baton Rouge on August 19 they must produce or we will cut off their funds.

Prehaps I am being unusaally hard with the LaRose group because they embody so much of what I feel and think; nonetheless I must be objective in my assestment of their effectiveness in the Scotlandville area.

At any rate we should be keeping our eyes close on the progress that is being made by the LaRose group; if they don't produce, we should cut off their funds.

IBERIA PARISH

In the town of New Iberia, I talked with Mrs. Frenzella Volter, Director of the Iberia Parish NAACP voter registration drive. Mrs. Volter told me that a number of local elections in New Iberia have hindered the operation of their drive. Consequently, only 20 persons had been registered at the time I was in Louisian and there were only 3 days left for registration. At the time I was there Mrs. Volter was planning for some citizenship education classes during the month preceeding the election.

These classes are being held twico weekly for two weeks and are being conducted by Mr. Wilbur Jackson, who is principal of the A.B. Simon elementary school. Mr. Jackson is following W.C. Patton's outline for conducting citizenship education classes. It is hpped that they will be able to conduct classes for enough people who will in turn be able to disseminate various information in their respective communities.

NO MAJOR PROBLEMS WITH REGISTRAR

Mrs. Volter indicated that there were really no problems with the registrar, he was very cooperative on just about everything with the exception of neighborhood registration. He has agreed to accept registrations during the period that the office is usually closed. These will be post-dated and while the persons will not be able to vote in the primary, they will be eligible to vote in the general

election. All indications are that this registrar is much more cooperative than the average registrar in the state of Louisiana. It should be understood however, that he is not going out of his way to do anything to help get black people registered in Iberia Parish. He is instead, acting within the confines of the laws governing the operation of his office. But since so many registrars in the past have not even done that, the efforts that he is expending with the NAACP voter registration drive, seem to indicate an unusual kind of cooperation. But it is clearly not that, and I think the people in Iberia Parish are aware of this fact.

PERSONNEL--HARDWORKING AND COOPERATIVE

Instead of using five task force workers at $15.00 per week, members of the drive are using 10 workers. These persons are being paid $7.50 per week. And these seem like very dedicated persons who are interested in doing voter registration first and getting paid last. This action on the part of these 10 task force workers indicates a good kind of community concern and participation, for if more communities can find individuals who are willing to make sacrifices, much more of this hard and very crucial work could be done by members of the community. The results, of course, would be a welcoming lightening of our financial obligation to such communities, and greater dependency by such communities on its own resources. And to my mind this is good.

7 AREAS BEING WORKED

The project in Iberia Parish is engaged in canbassing and transporting prospective registrants from 7 areas in the Parish. These areas are New Iberia, Loreauville, Jeanerette, Grand Mary, Weeks Island, Delcamber, and Olivia. The most populus area is the parish seat, New Iberia. It is the area which needs the greatest work done. Most of the other areas have a fairly high registration.

During the coming election there will be no Negro office seekers from the Iberia Parish area.

POINT COUPEE PARISH

Bill Samuel and I went into New Roads, the parish seat, and talked with Mrs. Della Roberts, secretary to the project. We also attempted to see Miss Madeline Franklin, director of the project, but she was not at home at the time we visited her. Our interview with Mrs. Roberts was short but cordial. She is a very nice lady. One is immediately impressed by the way she talks and by her seemingly very deep sense of conviction.

220 REGISTERED TO DATE

The project in Point Coupee Parish, a parish which already has a fairly high registration, has been responsible for registering 220 persons in three and one half weeks. I was informed that the work was going well and no major problems were being encountered by any members of the project. The persons who had been registered have been registered in the usual sense of canvassing, finding out if they are registered to vote and then transporting them to the registration office. All registration have taken place without any incidents.

The six workers engaged in the drive are working in eight wards of the parish. The largest ward, (Ward 8) is the one which includes New Roads. It is, of course, in need of more work than the other wards, because the majority of the population lives here. And so, during the week I was there, the workers were concentrating on Ward 8. Every indication was that they were doing the work.

TROUBLE WITH PATTON

Mrs. Roberts seemed to have been alarmed with something that Patton said in a response to a letter that was sent him by the New Roads Branch. According to Mrs. Roberts, the Branch wrote to Patton telling him about the grant they had received from VEP. Patton then sent a letter saying that the Branch was not doing well and that he would terminate the grant. Inasmuch as the project was doing well in the eyes of the people from New Roads they could not understand Patton's reasoning in this regard. I told Mrs. Roberts to disregard Patton's letter; as far as we were concerned the project in Point Coupee was doing well and if it were not doing well, we would be the ones responsible for terminating the project, not Patton. Mrs. Roberts seemed to have been relieved with my answer.

In summary then, it can be said that this project is doing well and producing at a level comensurate with the effort it is expending in the registration drive. As a matter of fact, I think they will do so well that we will not have to fund them another time around.

WEST FELICIANA PARISH

West Feliciana is the only parish in the state which does not have permanent registration. After four years everybody previously registered must re-register. All registrants will have to re-register in 1969. It seems that present efforts there will have to be doubled or trebled beginning next year, Hence we should keep this in mind if we are approached about funding the West Feliciana project again.

Misses Lucinda Dunbar and Josie Callahan, two task force workers for the project, talked with me about the work they are presently doing in the parish. It is my understanding that they are qorking in Wards 7, 8, and 9. These wards include St. Francisville, the parish seat, Weyanoke and Tunica. While there are not very many black people still unregistered in West Feliciana Parish those remaining to be registered are to be found in these three areas, the most populous in the parish.

FEDERAL EXAMINERS BEING USED

Federal examiners have been registering interested persons in West Feliciana Parish once or twice a month. Usually on Saturdays, the registration process is not as tedious and time-consuming as the process with the Parish authorities. Miss Dunbar indicated that all interested persons she has talked with in the parish prefer registering with the federal examiner rather than the parish official. The reason for this I think, is fairly obvious; the local registrar has a history

of being rude, intimidating and in some instances brutalizing to Negroes. And even though laws have been passed, the psychological barriers posed by countless decades of a neo-colonial type of existence, more often than not, aided by repressive measures on the part of the police department, are very hard to overcome, and the federal examiner represents a kind of a "good". The black people in West Feliciana Parish identify with the federal force, which it believes is always working in the interest of black people who are concerned about saving the Republic, and also whites who have a similar concern. This is the case in every county or parish I have been in which has had federal examiners assigned to it. I think in the end, to really get the heart of voter registration or a complete kind of voter registration in the South, we are going to have to have a very preferential type of registration, possibly through a massive type of campaign, conducted by either the state or federal government. (There is no doubt in my mind that the state governments in the South will not do this, with the exception of Florida, which is reportedly interested in conducting state-wide campaigns of this sort).

I think that next year will really indicate whether local authorities are prepared to do right in West Feliciana Parish. Inasmuch as people are going to have to re-register in "69, it appears to me that the authorities have a chance to "do right" in the eyes of the black majority of the parish. Doing right in this sense means that as of January, "69 they should do everything in their power to make registration for black West Felicianians as accessible as possible. But

I doubt if this will be done, and once again there will be a need for federal registrars.

CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAM NEEDED

There is a very strong need at the present time for some kind of effective citizenship education program for the residents of the parish. A fairly large number of young educated people are involved in the present campaign, and it is my understanding that they want to continue to be involved: and God knows the young educated people in the parish are needed there. And after they have graduated from Southern University or Grambling they will leave the parish as there is nothing for them to do. So it becomes very important to find ways to involve them and possibly help to find ways of settling in their home parish. For without them to lend some kind of assistance to many of the elected officials and persons who are involved in politics and various other people in the parish, the poight of black people is not ameliorated at all. It is instead worsened by the very fact that there is not a reservoir of trained black people. So in regard to the citizenship education program, I hope that Mr. Bill Samuel will be able to find some young people who will be able to conduct a program in the West Feliciana Parish area. I have already talked with Bill about this and I am confident that he is going to try to do something about it.

RAPIDES PARISH

When I went to Alexandria, the parish seat, I went to Attorney Louis Berry's office, which also serves as headquarters for the Rapides Parish Voter Registration Project, and talked with Mr. Robert Torry, director of the project. Mr. Torry told me that they had been having some problems getting people to work and also to motivate prospective registrants, but that things were beginning to brighten up. Furthermore he was confident that much more would be done in the parish area and that the project would have a successful termination.

As Mr. Torry saw it, the main problem in Rapides Parish is one which is concerned with rural-oriented people moving to the city and still believing in a master-servant relationship with whites. He believes, and I think correctly so, that rural Negroes who come into Alexandria are literally afraid of the white man, and once they are told that voting is a way of combatting the evil system under which they have lived all of their lives, they reject the thought of this. The rejection comes from the feeling that this would rupture this amorphous relationship they have with the white man. For instance, if the master becomes angered by the actions of his servants, then the servants are eliminated one way or the other from the plantation or in some cases some, some have met physical death. Mr. Torry continues: In explaining to a rural oriented person why he must register and then vote one must try to explode the basis for this kind of a relationship. It is at that point that these blacks reject the notion

of registering to vote. Some are convinced to do so after continual prodding and reassuring; but many others are never convinced. In some cases, they tell task force workers to "get your goddamed asses off my porch."

On the day I was in Alexandria there was quite a bit of activity in the office of the project. The canvassers were out working, the secretary was taking calls from persons who were interested in going to the courthouse to register. Nad Mr. Torry himself was doing the driving. I was satisfied that what I saw was an indication that they were working conscientiously to do the work that we expected of them.

There are no black candidates running for office in the primary or the general election this year.

GRANT PARISH

When Rev. Gilbert Harrison submitted his proposal for a voter registration drive in the Grant Parish area, I was somewhat hesitant about saying to myself that he was sincere. At that time I felt Rev. Harrison was something of an opportunist, more than anything else. True, he was involved with the Steering Committee of the Louisiana VEP, but still there was that little something about him that just did not lead me to put too much faith in him. So when we funded the project in Grant Parish, I was very doubtful about its chances for success, but I was wrong. Many of my impressions about Rev. Harrison were, in a manner of speaking, wrong ones.

In the first place, there is a good deal of work being done in Colfax and some of the smaller towns in Grant Parish. Rev. Harrison has been very diligent in doing his work and he has involved other people from the parish in the work. Consequently, for a rural parish, I think that at this date Grant has done better than Rapides Parish in terms of the number of people registered to vote. So it can be said quite confidently, I think, that the people associated with the Grant Parish VEP are definitely doing the work.

There was, at one time, some reason for concern on our part, for Rev. Harrison is a candidate for Congress from Speedy O' Long's district. At the time we made the grant Rev. Harrison was also director of the project. We immediately informed him that someone else had to be appointed director.

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He reported that this had been done. We also told him that he would not be able to sign any of the checks forthe project, and he cooperated in this regard also. When I visited Grant Parish I saw that these things had been done and a good number of people were involved in the project. Rev. Harrison was really sincere about disassociating himself from the leadership of the drive.

During the pre-election period the project is conducting citizenship education classes to try to acquaint black voters with issues and candidates in the upcoming election. I don't know how succewsful this has been, but it is my feeling that whatever has been done has been done fairly well.

All of the research reports that we have received from the Grant Parish Project indicate that the parish is undergoing a good many changes: many concessions that were not made in the past are now being made to black voters. All of this I think, indicates that considerable pressure is being put upon the white power structure of the parish, and they are reacting--in this case, reacting positively. Some of the things that have been done have been the appointment of election officials in the parish, the inclusion of blacks on various committies of the city in Colfax, for the first time, and other things that are regarded as signifigant by the people of Grant Parish.

All of this is significant forthe people who live in the parish, for historically, Grant Parish was a predominately black parish. Even today it has a very high concentration

of black people. The Parish, if my recollection of Louisiana history is accurate, was actually founded by Negroes, and for a long time was controlled almost exclusively by Negroes. So in this sense, one notes a kind of resurgence which if nurtured, can certainly become a very potent force in Grant Parish politics. But then I would not want to hazard a guess as to whether or ont it will indeed become potent.

EAST CARROLL AND TENSAS PARISHES

Originally we funded this project forthe service of four parishes. These were East Carroll, West Carroll, Morehouse and Tensas. After the organization headed by Rev. J. H. Scott received its grant, it was determined by them that four parishes would be too much ground for them to cover. Accordingly, they decreased the size of their project area to two parishes. These were the parishes of Tensas and East Carroll. Even after the decrease in the area of operation they are still encountering various problems. Problems that point to the difficulty that is almost inherent in the politics of that particuliar section of Louisiana, or those parishes in, and around, the Mississippi state line. These are some of the most blatantly racist parishes in the entire South. While some gains have been made in terms of elected officials in places like East Carroll, still with the influence of the white power structure in the local communities, the state judges, and a federal judge in the person of Ben Dawkins, the going has been rough. And it will continue being so.

All indications are that in Tensas Parish registrations that have resulted from the efforts of members of theproject have been minimal at best. There are no formally recognized organizations in this parish area. At one time there was a NAACP Branch in the area, however it is no longer active.

I think Rev. Scott indicated that he was trying to establish somekind of leadership in the Tensas area in order thatthe people there would be able to conduct their own programs.

Since the registration books have closed members of the project have been engaged in conducting a kind of a citizenship education program forthe August 17 election. This has included teaching persons how to use the voting machines, acquainting them with the number of candidates vying foroffice and attempting to acquaint black voters with black candidates in the East Carroll area.

A matter causing considerable alarm is the action that was recently taken by Federal Judge Ben Dawkins, Jr., with respect to a reapportionment petition of the East Carroll wards. A Charles F. Zimmer instituted the petition and asked that Judge Dawkins rule on it, and Dawkins did. He ruled that all ward elections would have to be reheld on November 4. Prior to that he ruled that a census must be taken and new ward lines must be submitted to him by October 1, for his approval. This means that all members of thepolice jury and all members of the school board who are now in office, even those black officials who were elected earlier this year, will be required to run at-large in the whole parish. Putting it differently, the elections held recently have been ruled null and void, and there must be another election. The at-large election will determine who the new police jurors and school board members will be.

The police jury in East Carroll Parish can take one of two alternatives: the first is that the parish can be divided strictly in accordance with the census population, and new wards are created on the basis of the population--all persons voters as well as non-voters; the other plan, which I think may prove to be acceptable to the racist Dawkins, is the at-large system. This would mean that there would be no wards, and all voters in the parish would vote for the police uury and the school board on a parish-wide basis. The result of the second plan is rather obvious. There would be no black police jurors or school board members.

If Dawkins approves the at-large system of voting for East Carroll Parish, it will mean that in his district other parishes will also file and will expect to be granted the same kind of plan for selecting elected officials. This would mean tragedy for the blacks who have political aspirations. School boards and police jurys would again be lily-white. (I think that Dawkins would rule in favor of the at-large system before he would approve the ward system based on population.)

Other than this (I guess this is enough) there is not very much going on in that particuliar area of the state. As well as I can determine, Rev. Scott and his group are doing the best they can under the circumstances.

HERE AND NOW/

Catherine Cater

If here and now be but a timely span
Between today's unhappiness, tomorrow's
Joys, what if today's abundant sorrows
Never end, tomorrow never comes, what then?

If Youth, impatient of the disrespect
Accorded it, yearns to be old,
Age chafes beneath the manifold
Losses of its prime and mourns neglect;

So let it be for here and now, my dear,
Not for the when of an eternity;
No gazer in the crystal ball can see
The future as we see the now and here.

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August 20, 1968

Mrs. Mattie M. Gray
Route 2 Box 130-A
Aliceville Alabama 35442

Dear Mrs. Gray:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Pickens County Chapter Rural Farms and Development Council for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Pickens County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period ofeight weeks to run from August 26 to October 21, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's expenses	@ $40.000 per week	$ 320.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Telephone		50.00
Office Supplies		55.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of

the bank. The VEP will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The VEP will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered; b) method used in getting persons to the registration office; c) increase in number of new voters in the one week period; d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens; e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any; f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report is also required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our director of research, Marvin Wall, will write yo you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any further questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:EW

68-142

August 20, 1968

The Reverend F.M. Nixon
Route 1 Box 151
York Alabama 36925

Dear Rev. Nixon:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Sumter County Movement for Human Rights for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Sumter County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 26 to October 21, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of adddtional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
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Transportation		400.00
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Telephone		50.00
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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

August 20, 1968

Mr. John Zippert
P.O. Box 3005
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear John:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 5. I really appreciate your thoughts on St. Landry Parrish. Unfortunately I have been out of the office and was unable to respond as quickly as I wanted to.

Our primary reason for not funding the St. Landry Education Association was the already high degree of registration in the Parrish. True, factionalism as Samuel mentioned in his report played a part in our making our decision, but it was not our main concern. We too are quite aware of the cleavages that exist in black leadership all over the South, and we would certainly not deny funds to a community in need of registration because of a high degree of factionalism. If that were the case we would merely have to choose a faction.

Our action on the voter registration proposal does not preclude our making a grant for another project in some other area of voter education. As I indicated in my letter to you there are definitely other funding possibilities.

Once again, thank you very much for your letter, I really did appreciate it.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 20, 1968

Mr. D'Army Bailey
Director
Law Students Civil Rights
Research Council
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear D'Army:

After a two-month visit by D'Army Bailey Europe will never be the same. Enjoy yourself and stay single.

Looking forward to hearing from you on your return.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 20, 1968

Mr. Charles Negaro
Georgia Headquarters
McCarthy for President
Winkler Plaza Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Perhaps it is too late for you to do anything with the information I promised you regarding counties in the Southeast Region that have requested Federal Voting Examiners under the provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. I hope you are able to find some way in which the information will be helpful in bringing about better enforcement of the Act.

The following counties have requested Federal Examiners: Georgia--Walden, Wilkes, Louisiana--Orleans, Tensas, North Carolina--Cumberland, Warren, Bertie, Northampton, South Carolina--Sumpter, Fairfield, Beaufort, Florence, Williamsburg, Charleston, Chester, Virginia--Halifax, Brunswick, Lunenburg.

Once again forgive me for being so late with this material. If McCarthy becomes President I promise to help the Justice Department find other

counties that should be designated for voting examiners.

Take care and best wishes for a successful convention.

Warmest regards,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 20, 1968

Mr. Norman H. Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Here is Dwane's statement returned as is. I don't particularly see the need for any more drama, though for a writer this piece seems rather jumpy and disorganized to me. I would rather you go ahead and get the reactions of others with the understanding that you and I reserve the right for some slight editing that would not affect the meaning and content before the final version is done.

I hope to be in New York next week and, if so, will certainly call you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

August 20, 1968

Sister Rose Mary Conley
Cathedral of Christ the King
2699 Peachtree Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Sister Rose Mary:

Thank you so much for your generous note. It was my pleasure being with you and I hope I shall have the opportunity to do so again.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 20, 1968

Mr. David W. MacEachron
The American Friends of Wilton Park, Inc.
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. MacEachron:

Tentatively, the date of October 14 is available for me for our next meeting of the American Friends of Wilton Park. I am, however, serving on the September-October Grand Jury and either the 14th or 22nd would be contingent on the work of the Jury and my responsibility to it. Nevertheless, I do hope I can be with you on either date.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 20, 1968

Mr. George Bowdler
Route 1, Box 485
West Columbia, South Carolina

Dear George:

Vernon Jordan, the director of our Voter Education Project, is away on vacation until the end of the month. Immediately on his return you will hear from him about the information in your letter of August 17th.

While we do, of course, continue to have strong interest in voter registration work in South Carolina, it has been my assumption that the South Carolina Voter Education Project was our main instrument there and that that group established its priorities and funded programs largely through an annual grant made by us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. John H. Wheeler

August 20, 1968

Dr. Gordon W. Lovejoy
1415 East 19th Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74020

Dear Dr.:

Thank you very much for the clipping. Needless to say, I am delighted to know you will be teaching in the fall.

As Audrey may have told you, I will be in Tulsa on the morning of September 21st, and would like to run by for a visit after I speak to the teachers. I will call you early that morning.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM August 20, 1968

To: Members of the 1968 Nominating Committee:
Mr. J. Bill Becker
Dr. John A. Griffin
Mrs. Vivian Carter Mason
Mr. Matthew J. Perry

From: Paul Anthony

The Nominating Committee should meet as early in September as is possible. Several dates are listed on the enclosed card. Would you, therefore, indicate on the enclosed card any of the dates which are convenient for you and reserve them until we hear from all members of the Committee.

We are anxious to choose a date convenient to all of you, and if these dates prove unworkable we shall try for others.

The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. on the date selected and will end, likely, by mid-afternoon so that most of you will not have to be away from home overnight.

August 20, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

On April 18th you wrote the members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee suggesting that they meet prior to the Executive Committee's September meeting. I am certain that the Executive Committee will follow any decision made by the Smith Committee, and it occurs to me that your committee could use another month before meeting.

We have just mailed the book you requested, and have on order Alarms and Hopes -- A Personal Journey, A Personal View, by Senator Fred Harris, and suggested by Frank Smith.

If you still prefer a September meeting, we can get on the telephone rather quickly and pick a date. If, however, you are agreeable to the October date, we will pick several dates and write

the members about them. In either case, I would appreciate knowing several dates when you would be available. Should you wish me to sit in on the meeting, please avoid Tuesdays and Thursdays, since I am on the September-October Grand Jury. In fact, Saturdays continue to prove a very successful time to get people together.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 20, 1968

Mr. Lauren Selden
Executive Director
Virginia American Civil Liberties Union
1205 West Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Mr. Selden:

It was a pleasure chatting with you last week.

Thanks for the subscription to our magazine and our publication service. Both are entered.

I hope we will have frequent opportunities to work together.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 21, 1968

Mr. Oscar Weigang
c/o Grace Lutheran Church
1900 Audubon Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Weigang:

This will acknowledge with appreciation your contribution of $5.00 to the Southern Regional Council. Please know that we sincerely appreciate this expression of confidence in our work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (official receipt)

MEMORANDUM August 21, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony

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In order to determine attendance at the September 14th meeting of the Executive Committee would you please fill in the enclosed card and return to us as soon as possible?

August 21, 1968

Mr. John Butler Justice
P. O. Box 647
Durham, North Carolina 27702

Dear Mr. Justice:

Courtney Siceloff has shared with me the correspondence you and he have had. Regrettably, we do not have a position here that would take advantage of your skills and experience. However, you may be interested to know that the Council of Southern Mountains has an excellent program in placement for people in our field who wish to work in the southern region. We have seen a number of persons placed in desirable positions through this means. Should you wish to write them you may do so by writing as follows: Mr. William Donohoe, Director of Recruiting, Council of Southern Mountains, College Box 2307, Berea, Kentucky 40403.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Courtney Siceloff

August 21, 1968

Miss Alice Murray
1407 Fayetteville Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Miss Murray:

We have shared your resume with several agencies, but I gather with no results. Have you now found employment, or do you wish us to continue to circulate your resume should we have the opportunity to do so?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 21, 1968

Mrs. Stephen J. Robbins
Route 1, Box 15
Grovetown, Georgia 30813

Dear Mrs. Robbins:

While you were shipped the materials you requested, please forgive me this inexcusable delay in acknowledging your letter of July 14th.

I am sorry that I don't know of any place the elementary textbooks can be used. We have, in the past, worked with a number of small colleges in improving their book collections but, of course, the books which you have would not be appropriate for this purpose.

Again, my sincere apologies and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 21, 1968

Mr. Hubert M. Davidson
Editor and Publisher
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

Thank you for the invitation. Should it be convenient with you, I would be happy to speak to your group on October 13, and other dates are available if you would prefer.

At a later date I will let you know my travel plans. It will probably be necessary for me to fly in and fly out, but if I can arrive on Saturday, nothing would be more pleasant than to spend the evening with you and Liliane.

Warmest regards to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

August 21, 1968

Mr. Lauren Selden
Executive Director
American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia
1205 West Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Mr. Selden:

Enclosed is some material for your use in acquainting yourself with the field of corrections. Please return this material, however, keep it as long as necessary for your needs.

If the dates of your hearing are appropriate, I would be glad to appear before the Senate Committee, should ACLU or some similar agency request. Just send me a letter indicating date and circumstances.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, ACSW
Director
Project on the Administration of Justice

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Enclosures

FIELD TRIP - AUGUST 19, 20, 21, 1968 - Birmingham, Montgomery, Eufaula, Alabama and Fort Valley (Peach County), Macon, Georgia
Tony Dunbar

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Since the Summer Project Conference had been cancelled, I decided to visit the interns in Birmingham and Montgomery because I had not seen them since early July.

Birmingham

Laraine Alexander, our intern in Birmingham, has for the last part of the summer been dividing her time between working in W. C. Patton's office and assisting the registration campaign sponsored by the Birmingham NAACP. and WJLD Radio. The drive was intended to cover the whole of Jefferson County and aimed at registering 1,000 new voters. Due to bad weather, Alabama's unfortunate registration schedule and lack of cooperation between the workers in the project they have lowered their goal to 500 people.

Laraine and I talked for about an hour in the campaign headquarters. She thinks that the campaign has gone well, and she finds canvassing in the rural areas and in her home town of Bessemer to be much more enjoyable than wrapping packages for the NAACP. She has no complaints about her job, herself, the VEP or anything else. She has managed to avoid W. C. Patton for most of the summer.

Laraine made one suggestion for the VEP intern program next summer. She thinks it would be a good idea to have several interns acting as field consultants for the VEP who would go into a new project, work there for a week, and assist in setting up the organization for the campaign. I like this idea very much. I don't know if any of the people who have worked for us this summer have the background or the delicacy to go from project to project advising people in strange communities. I do think it is something that should be considered in planning next year's intern program, and I think that Ed Taplin, William Porter, John Wyatt or Joyce Brown might be allowed to attempt the job. Laraine thinks that

she would make a fine consultant. My opinion of her is very high; she has done a good job for the NAACP and for the VEP. If she works for us in the future, I would like to see her assigned to another registration project. Incidentally, she does not feel that her being from the Birmingham area has helped her much in her work. Whereas in the country people are often wary of outsiders, I would agree that it doesn't matter all that much in the city, and I don't think that we should be strict about placing interns in their home towns.

As I said in my last newsletter and will say again in my own final report, I think that the first priority in selecting and placing interns should be that they be able to provide essential services wherever they work. The second priority is that their job be one through which the intern can gain useful training and experience. On the basis of these two considerations, I don't think that we should again assign a bright and energetic student to W. C. Patton's office.

I drove on down to Montgomery and spent the night of the 19th there.

Montgomery

Tuesday morning I went over to the offices of the West Montgomery Branch of the NAACP to talk with our intern Sylvia Murrell. I got tied into a long discussion about the Montgomery project and I didn't have as much time to speak with Sylvia as I would have liked. I met the Rev. Kenneth Buford, Alabama NAACP Field Director, and I asked him if any of the problems that the project's director, Mr. Pringle, had told me about last time had been solved. When I first spoke to Pringle in July, he told me that the VEP grant, by rewarding a few at the expense of the many in Montgomery County who had been working constantly over the years, had served to split the county organization and the Montgomery project itself could only claim reliable workers and good results in five of the 22 precincts in the county. The five precincts were all in the city of Montgomery.

Pringle also said at that time that he didn't think he was going to ask for a renewal of the grant. Buford said that he had never been aware of any of these problems. He pointed out that the situation which had forced the VEP to suspend its funds to the project in June had been mostly the fault of the director, but that Pringle had been given a second chance.

The original proposal for the project, made in March, 1968, stated that their were 14,000 Negroes yet to be registered to vote. Marvin's files seem to indicatemthat the project has registered approximately 500 voters from April through August. I was told in Montgomery, though, that there were now only about 11,000 unregistered black voters. Last week federal registrars were finally assigned to Montgomery County. They will register people three days a week in the Montgomery post office until people stop coming down to take the oath. During the first week with federal registrars the project registered 150 voters and both Pringle and Buskey, chairmen of the project, think that they can sustain this rate as long as the project has money to operate. The project now has enough money for about two more weeks, or until about the first of September. If the grant were extended through the general election, they should be able to add another thousand voters to the rolls.

Sylvia, Pringle and myself had a long talk with Rev. Buford in his office. Buford asked Pringle about "some rumors" that he had heard to the effect that the VEP grant had disrupted the county organization and that the project could only report good results in about five of the 22 precincts. Pringle said he had never heard anything about the VEP grant upsetting anybody. He said that as far as he is concerned, it has been a blessing. He said that the workers in the five good precincts had spread out and were able to cover the 13 precincts within the city of Montgomery. Buford wanted to know why so little work had been done in the rural parts of the county and Pringle replied that the precentage of unregistered voters was higher in the city and that better results could be obtained in the urban areas. Buford disagreed with this last and

requested that Pringle, in the near future, present him with a detailed plan of how the project would cover rural Montgomery County. Buford felt that the presence of a federal registrar might best benefit the people living outside of the city.

Extending the grant: all three men would like to see the project continue up until the general election to take advantage of the federal registrars. They will mainly require funds for transportation, task force workers and a part time secretary. I suggested that they propose a basic budget of about $780, which includes a director's salary to cover the period from September 1 through the last week in October. I asked them to submit the proposal as quickly as possible, and I told them that they would soonafter hear our decision. They may have the problem of finding a new project chairman because John Buskey will have to resume teaching in the beginning of September. If we don't receive a grant proposal from them, I would assume it's beacuse they are having this sort of organizational trouble. If they do request the extension, I recommend that we definitly hold their budget below $1,000. I don't like Pringle, especially since he gave that double talk in front of Buford. I am not sure he is competent to direct the project. Buskey knows where it is at but he is devoting too little time to the project. If Buford would stay on top of the project for a while, the organization might straighten out. I repeat what I said in my earlier report: Montgomery just has the worst slums I have ever seen. I don't think the VEP should stop its funds to this city because of this and because the federal registrars are there for only a limited time. I think that we should continue to put money into the hands of the people working there now, even though they are men whom we might not have chosen for the job.

Sylvia tells me she has been very happy in Montgomery. She has worked hard as the project secretary and more recently as a convasser out in the field. She wants to help poor people. I think that she is going to try to get a job at SRC during the school year. I hope there is one for her. She thought that Laraine's suggestion about the field consultant was a very good one. In fact, she would like to be a field consultant too. She does well whatever she is told to do. I think it's a good idea to keep her at a job where someone will direct her.

Early in the afternoon I drove south to Eufaula.

Eufaula

I met with John Kelly, president of the Barbour County Improvement Association, at his home in Eufaula, Alabama. In Barbour County, home of George Wallace, there are about 13,000 potential black voters as compared to about 12,000 potential white voters. About 10,000 of the whites are registered. Black registration is about 4,000. Kelly hopes to register an additional 3,000 voters. There are five beats in Barbour County, of which Eufaula is one. Scattered throughout the beats are 16 black communities. Mr. Kelly says that there are reliable people ready to work in 12 of the 16 communities. He plans to recruit people in the remaining four and with his own squad of task force workers maintain a regular schedule of canvassing and community meetings throughout the campaign.

Barbour County is almost entirely rural. There is lots of sharecropping and independent farming and some tenant farming on the plantations. The people are very poor and to a large extent illiterate. A current OEO program, Project Impact, has caused the city to hire 16 unemployed young people. Aside from this and the VEP project there are virtually no nonfarming jobs available and the young people are migrating northward. Except for the plantation, where economic pressure is still applied, there are no obvious bars to registering. In Kelly's words, all that the people need, is "bravery in the mind." Even the preachers in Barbour County have finally come around to cooperating with the Association. In two or three more years, I should think, the county will be politically dominated by the black population.

The white population has had to take desperate steps to maintain control. In the last election there were three black candidates for seats on the Democratic Executive Committee of Barbour County. Right before the election and for the first time in history, the Board of Revenue declared that the elections would be county-wide rather than by beat. The three black candidates won in their beats, but lost county-wide. A suit on their behalf was taken against the county and last month a federal judge in Montgomery

declared that Barbour County had 30 days to show due cause why these three men should not take office. The 30 day period expires sometime next week.

Kelly is a fine fellow. He probably will come close to his goal of 3,000 new voters. He thinks that this campaign will help Barbour County from voting for its favorite son, George Wallace in November. This would be the sort of event that might have real impact upon at least Alabama's politicians.

I drove out of Eufaula that evening northward toward Fort Valley, Georgia. About 50 miles across the line on a very lonesome stretch of road I stopped the car and got out to stretch my legs. I stayed there about a half an hour, I think, and didn't hear another human or mechanical sound. It was more restful than anything I've done in a couple of years. I mention it here because I think those reading this report ought to try this kind of therapy every so often.

Fort Valley, Georgia

Wednesday morning I finished the drive into Fort Valley. I went over to the college to find Mr. Houston Stallworth, chairman of the county's citizenship education commission, When I arrived at Mr. Stallworth's office he was busy talking to two men from the FHA about getting improvement loans for a number of families in Peach County. Apparently, the Fort Valley project had been scheduled to begin on August 15, but the VEP had not yet received notice that a bank account had been established, and thus the project had received no money. As it turned out, Stallworth had carefully read the grant letter and did not know that he was expected to establish the bank account. He promised to do so in the near future.

During the six weeks he hopes to register 500 people and to hold citizenship classes in several communities. Those 500 votes may be crucial in the county. In a recent election, I think for a position on the school board, a black candidate lost to a white candidate by about 70 votes. Stallworth said that over the past two or three years each time a black candidate has run for an office he has lost by a "whisper." He pointed out that though this

drive is probably beginning too late to help Maynard Jackson, it may well keep Peach County from going for Wallace. The citizenship education program will center around the method of voting and the upcoming election. Inthe community of Gaino there is strong local feeling that the town should be incorporated into Fort Valley. Stallworth plans to have meetings around that issue.

Mr. Stallworth intends to rearrange his budget a little bit to provide for two directors at $27 a week and four task force workers. He will use the task force workers, I think, mostly as canvassers. The community meetings will be conducted by the two directors. The Peach County registrar has agreed to appoint one deputy registrar and probably would appoint more if Stallworth requested them. None of these things however, the scheduling of community meetings and the appointment of the deputy registrar have actually taken place yet. This may be because they have not yet received their money, but I think is is more likely that Stallworth has just had other things to do.

Macon

I drove up to Macon to Randall's Funeral Home to see Willie Davis and William Porter. Their project is going as well as ever. They have registered about 4,000 people and hope to register several thousand more. They have as many as 90 high school students working volunteer along with their seven paid task force workers. The volunteers work three days a week; the task force workers work full time. The director of volunteers is Attorney Tom Jackson's wife. Jackson is running for the Georgia state senate out of the 26th district. The bulk of that district lies in Jones County, thus two out of three days the volunteers work in Jones County. However, the main emphasis of the project has always been in Bibb County. Prior to the recruitment of the volunteers, work in Jones County was sustained only by occasional canvassing by the task force workers and money for gasoline from some local people. The project will continue, I think, at least through the primary, and Davis and perhaps Porter will be retained as interns.

Field Trip - 8,

A brochure entitled "Black Action Now" is to be distributed to all block and precinct workers that are participating in the project. It's a very good pamphlet and I am circulating a copy of it with this report. It does, However, say one or two questionable things. One of its directives is "outvote the opponents" (WHO? the Republicians)" and one of its "facts and answers" is "the candidates are: D. T. Walton, Elias Field, Tome Jackson, and Maynard Jackson." I suggested that they delete the statement about the Republicians.

Willie Davis is a delegate of the Loyal Democrats of Georgia to the National Democratic Convention. He has so far remained uncommitted. He will probably be in Chicago all of the convention week. Porter will act as director of the project in his absence. Porter asked me to tell you, friend, that he is available for the job of director of the interns next year. I have a tremendous amount of admiration for both him and Willie Davis.

Wednesday evening I drove back into Atlanta.

I will meet with the interns of the All Citizens Registration Comittee one or two more times. I should be able to talk with George Butler when he passes through Atlanta on his way back home. It is likely that I will see both Davis and Porter again at the Candidates Conference in Macon on the 31st. Unfortunately I will not get together with Curtina Moreland or Edgar Taplin again before I leave on September 1.

August 21, 1968

Mr. John McAlister, Jr.
Woodrow Wilson School of
Public and International Affairs
Princeton, University
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

Dear John:

I regret this delay in responding to your letter of July 22.

I am delighted to have the opportunity to visit with the students of the Woodrow Wilson School on Thursday, September 26.

If you could forward me a prepaid ticket, and, if it's not asking too much, would you make the travel arrangements from your end, it would be most helpful.

I cannot forget the time we spent together campaigning for Senator Kennedy in California. During those days there were so much hope. I have not been able to reconcile myself to the fact that he is no longer with us.

Will you be attending the convention next week? I am going as a member of the challenging delegation from Georgia.

It is my feeling that some hope and decency will emerge from Chicago.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Note: Janet Smith filling order.
js

August 21, 1968

Mr. James R. Stokely
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee 37821

Dear Mr. Stokely:

Thank you so much for your good comments.

We have already sent you five author's copies for which there is no charge. Your order for 20 will be coming to your shortly.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js

August 21, 1968

Mr. Luiz Waldow
Felix da Cunha, 525
Porto Alegre, BRAZIL

Dear Mr. Waldow:

Enclosed are two Southern Regional Council reports on the economic situation of Negroes in the United States and on the Ku Klux Klan in politics. Also enclosed is the most accurate assessment of what happened in Little Rock in 1957.

Much has been written about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., The following list contains books by Dr. King and an outdated biography of him:

Crusader Without Violence by L. D. Reddick, Harper and Brothers, New York, 1959.

Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community? by Dr. King, Bantam Books, 271 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016, June, 1968.

Stride Toward Freedom by Dr. King, Harper and Brothers, New York, 1958.

Why We Can't Wait by Dr. King, Harper and Row, 51 East 33rd Street, New York, New York 10016, 1963,

Strength to Love by Dr. King, Harper and Row, New York, 1964.

Following is the information you requested:

The Ku Klux Klan in American Politics by Arnold S. Rice, Public Affairs Press, 381 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10016, 1962.

(A more recent book about the Klan is The Ku Klux Klan by William Pierce Randel, Chilton Company, 1965.)

The Negro Revolt by Louis Lomax, Harper and Brothers, New York, 1962.

Among the many books about the John Birch Society, the following two are highly recommended:

The Radical Right by Benjamin R. Epstein and Arnold Forster, Vintage Books, a division of Random House. For information, write the Customer Services Department, Westminster, Maryland 21157, at Random House.

Danger on the Right by Epstein and Forster, Random House, New York, 1964.

I hope the information will be useful to you, and I wish you success with CADERNOS MOVIMENTO.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

GB:js

Encls.

Rf VEP
68-143

August 21, 1968

The Reverend Henry Hasking, Jr.
607 East Jackson Street
Demopolis, Alabama

Dear Mr. Hasking:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Marengo County Civic League, for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Marengo County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 26 to October 21, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expense @ $40.00 per week	$320.00	
(5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	$600.00	
Transportation	$400.00	
Printing and Postage	$ 75.00	
Telephone	$ 50.00	
Office Supplies	$ 50.00	
		$1500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall will write you regarding our further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

R* VEP 68-144

August 21, 1968

Mr. Dickey Winsett
416½ Caplewood Drive
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Mr. Winsett:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Tuscaloosa County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from August 26 to October 21, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expense @ $50.00 per week	$400.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	480.00	
Printing and postage	60.00	
Office supplies	60.00	
Transportation	500.00	
		$1500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:rh
Enclosure

August 22, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Enclosed is our check for $300 in support of your program for high school student human relations councils. I wish it could be more, but hope this is sufficient to allow you to begin the program.

At your convenience, please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to us.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $300.00)

August 22, 1968

Mrs. Robert H. Moench
Route 3, Box 557
Golden, Colorado 80401

Dear Mrs. Moench:

Again, and with continuing sincere gratitude, I thank you for your contribution to the Council.

The year, of course, has been one of great confusion and, certainly, one of great tragedy. I can only report to you how proud I am that the staff and members of the Council have responded to these events with an almost angry obsession to keep working and to try to work more effectively.

With warm regards to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
encl. - 1. (Official receipt)

MEMORANDUM August 22, 1968

To: Mr. Philip Horton
Center for New York City Affairs

From: Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council

The information and research functinns of the Council have, for over a decade, been the heart of the agency's operation. There have been two main thrusts within these departments. They are: preparing, or having prepared and edited our publications, and dealing with and servicing the media, students, scholars, governmental offices, and the like. In my own opinion, while these functions are important and productive, our dealing with the media is by far the most rewarding, in the sense that we are able to provide a number of suggestions and a significant amount of factual information to the media. We feel that in this way we are able to reach an infinitely larger audience with our concerns and analyses than would be possible under other circumstances. (Needless to say, our cooperation with the media is possoble only because of our reputation for accuracy and sound thinking, which we guard jealously, and a long record of never trying to use the media toward our own ends or to promote this agency.)

While to some degree practically everyone on our staff of approximately 45 persons is involved in these activities, the formal staff for this work consists of a Director of Information, who is the senior person in this operation, a Director of Research, andEditor of Publications, two editorial assistants, a staff artist, a librarian, three research associates, and a secretary.

Information for this operation rests on four main sources:

(1) Subscriptions to 25 regional and national newspapers and a number of

magazines and journals. Newspapers are read and clipped daily and filed by subject. Magazines and journals are treated in the same manner, with the only exception being that some of them are kept intact.

(2) Collecting a sizeable number of appropriate statistical reports from state and federal agencies, ranging from state welfare reports to Bureau of Census reports.

(3) Maintaining a small, but basic, library of appropriate books and journals of interest to us and the public we serve.

(4) On occasion we depend heavily on field reports prepared by our staff and from reporters and other observers throughout the region.

In the case of our quarterly, New South, we attempt in each issue to do a round-up, by state, of significant events during the quarter with the exception of Georgia, which is prepared by one of our staff. We use newspaper stringers in each state for this purpose. Our round-ups are, however, edited here and checked against factual information which we have on file.

Recently, we compiled, by subject headings, the major articles and publications which SRC produced during 1966 and 1967. This will give you some idea of the range of our current interests and productions. A copy of this is attached.

Again, if you should wish more detailed information, I will be happy to supply it.

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

Ramparts
1255 Portland Place
Boulder, Colorado 80302

RE: September renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription to your publication for another year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

The New York Review of Books
250 W. 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

RE: September renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription to the Review for another year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

Circulation Department
The Atlanta Journal
P. O. Box 4689
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

RE: September 30, 1968
Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription for another year, and continue to deliver to:

Mrs. Bernice Morrison
3052 W. Pine Valley Road
Atlanta, Georgia

Our check for $23.40, for the daily edition only, is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $23.40 check.

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please continue our subscription for one year to the Social Security Bulletin.

Our check for $2.75 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $2.75 check.

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

Circulation Department
Urban America, Inc.
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

RE: September renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subcription to your publication for another year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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August 22, 1968

The Saturday Review
380 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please cancel our subscription to your publication, effective immediately, and make the necessary adjustment for the unused portion.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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August 22, 1968

Renewal Magazine
116 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Dear Sirs:

Please cancel our subscription to your publication, effective immediately, and make the necessary adjustment for the unused portion.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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August 22, 1968

Commentary
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sirs:

Please cancel our subscription to your publication, effective immediately, and make the necessary adjustment for the unused portion.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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August 22, 1968

Mr. Erle Johnston, Jr.
Editor
The Scott County Times
Forest, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Please send us the public reports of the Mississippi State Sovereignty Commission, if at all possible.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

August 22, 1968

House Committee on Government
Operations
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

We are interested in obtaining a copy of the report, "Consumer Problems of the Poor," which deals with the supermarket chains of New York City, Washington, and St. Louis and their methods of operation in low-income areas.

Please send us a copy, if it is available, and bill us if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

August 22, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us the following:

Volumes I and II of Field Studies III, Studies in Crime and Law Enforcement in Major Metropolitan Areas, President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice, Washington, D. C., U. S. Government Printing Office, July, 1967 . . . . . $ 3.50

Riots, Civil, and Criminal Disorders
63K, Part 1, November 1-6, 1967
Y 4.G 74/6:R 47/pt.1 . . . . . 1.75
64K, Part 2, November 7-22, 1967
Y 4.G 74/6:R 47/pt.2 . . . . . 1.00
65K, Part 3, November 29-30, and December 4, 1967
Y 4.G 74/6:R 47/pt. 3 50
66K, Part 4, December 5-7, 1967
Y 4.G 74/6:R 47/pt. 4 75

First National Conference on Crime Control . .60
J 1.2:C 86/8/967

Subversive Activities Control Board, 17th Annual Report, Y 3.Su 1:1/967 15

New Opportunities for Open Occupancy
HH 1.29:5/2 30

Handbook on the Law of Search and Seizure
J 1:8/2:Se 1/968 30

cc: RV
For: Res. Dept.

Superintendent of Documents - 2.
August 22, 1968

Rehabilitation Guide for Residential Properties HH 1.29:50	.40
TOTAL	$ 9.25

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $9.25 check.

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MEMORANDUM

August 22, 1968

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Thad Olive

SUBJECT: Check to SCVEP

Please find enclosed a check from Mr. Joseph D. Sapp for $500.00. This is a contribution for the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

cc: RV
Requested by: VEP

August 23, 1968

Charles E. Merrill, Publishers
3000 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43216

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Negro Politics in America by Harry Bailey, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Requested by: VEP

August 23, 1968

American Political Science Review
1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the following back issues, and bill us:

June, 1963, which contains the article, "Political Factors and Negro Voter Registration in the South," by Donald Matthews and J. W. Prothro, pp. 355-367.

March, 1963, which contains another article by Matthews and Prothro entitled, "Social and Economic Factors and Negro Voter Registration in the South," pp. 24-44.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Assistant
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Requested by: VEP

August 23, 1968

Random House
Order Entry Department
Westminster, Maryland 21157

Dear Sirs:

We would like to order one copy of Southern Politics by V. O. Key, Jr., published by Vintage.

Please send us this book, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Requested by: VEP

August 23, 1968

Haroourt, Brace and Company
757 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Negro in New Southern Politics by Donald Matthews and J. W. Prothro, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

No charge.

August 23, 1968

American Friends Service
Committee
818 South Main
Highpoint, North Carolina

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the following:

South Carolina Population and Labor Force by County of Residence, 1940, 1950, 1960, and Estimates for 1968.

Volume I - "Totals and Percentage Composition for White-Nonwhite and Employed-Unemployed"

Volume II - "Totals and Industry Composition"

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Requested by: GB

August 23, 1968

National Education Association
1201 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Rankings of the States, 1967, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

MEMORANDUM

TO: RUTH VICK

FROM: WELDON ROUGEAU

Ruth Harris, VEP Research Intern has been authorized to make a field trip to Jackson, Mississippi on Friday, August 23, 1968. Please give Ruth two (2) flite-cheks for her trip before 5:00 p.m. Thursday.

Thank you.

cc. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

August 23, 1968

Mr. R. Grann Lloyd
Professor of Economics
Tennessee A&I State University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

We have read your paper on Negro employment in Nashville with a great deal of interest. I am astounded that the situation is no better than your figures indicare. We have a fairly serious problem with publishing it, however, i.e., there is no indication of what action has been taken to enforce the equal employment opportunity provisions of the Civil Rights Act. Less serious is the question of what type industries the 95 respondents represent.

I realize that the paper is intended to concentrare on employment, but your lead paragraph suggests so much more than that (the interstate highway, welfare, etc.) but you make no further mention of those other, obviously related, problems. Could you expand on it?

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA:js
Encl. - 1.

August 23, 1968

Mr. John George Vaughan, PE
% Institute of Urban Life
222 West Admas Street
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

After the package to Mrs. Vaughan was returned yesterday with the identical addressing used on our check for your August 8, 1968 invoice, started me to wondering if you received check #5009, dated 8/16/68.

Also, Mrs. Vaughan was going to give me a fee amount for the proposed pamphlet supplementing the Guide to bring the 1968 Civil Rights Act into focus as it affects the Guide.

Looking forward to hearing from you, I am

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning

MGS/km

August 23, 1968

Trans/Texas Airways
International Airport
Houston, Texas 77060

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a unused ticket that should be credited to our account or refunded to the Southern Regional Council.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure - Ticket No. 033 220495580 4

August 26, 1968

Mr. J. Griffen Greene, Director
Guided Studies
Daytona Beach Junior College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Greene:

Enclosed is a copy of our Publications List. We will be pleased to send you any items on it that may seem of interest to you. Under separate cover we will also send you the last two issues of our quarterly magazine NEW SOUTH.

We shall also be happy to add you to our mailing list should you feel this would be of value to you.

Also our Research Department is now planning a bibliography on the Negro in American history. When it is completed we will be happy to share this with you.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enc. - Publications List

cc: Mr. Phillip D. Goldhagen

August 26, 1968

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

The Honorable Conrad N. Hilton
9990 Santa Monica Boulevard
Beverly Hill, California

Dear Mr. Hilton:

In 1952, you published "A Twentieth Century Delcaration of Dependence -- on God, America on Its Knees." You will remember, it was received with much acclaim over the nation.

In our times now of uncertainty and discord, we need this again.

On October 23-24, we will have the annual workshop of "The Fellowship of the Concerned" -- this is the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council which brings together women leaders of the three faiths from eleven southern states. I wish I might have 200 copies of the "Declaration" to give each one a copy. Would you have that many copies in storage somewhere that you might send us? If not, could you give the Southern Regional Council permission to have it reprinted, citing, of course, any credit lines you deisre.

Than you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Director of Woman's Work

MET/rh

August 26, 1968

Mr. Robert W. Griffith
260 Pineforest Drive
Athens, Georgia 30601

Dear Mr. Griffith:

Thank you so much for your recent subscription to NEW SOUTH. I hope that you will find it a valuable and informative commentary on southern affairs.

I note that your subscription comes to us from what seems to have been a newspaper ad. Could you tell me the name and date of the publication in which it appeared?

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

August 27, 1968

Dig This
Student Community Action
Center
Temple University
Broad and Montgomery
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Sirs:

We would like to enter a one-month subscription to the Morroccos' newspaper, Dig This, effective immediately. Please begin our subscription, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

August 27, 1968

Ms. Jane E. Brody
The New York Times
Times Square
New York, New York 20036

Dear Ms. Brody:

We found your article, "Malnutrition Can Permanently Impair Those Who Survive It," which appeared in the Times on August 5, of great interest. Is it possible that you could supply us with the titles of the recent studies mentioned indicating the possible serious and permanent damage that can occur?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

August 27, 1968

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

We are today writing the members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee suggesting the dates of October 12th or October 19th as a time for the meeting. Please hold those dates until we have a response.

Also we are today ordering Baldwin's book. I have attempted to call Frank Smith and he is unavailable. He is very likely behind the barbed wire of Chicago!

When you are here I will be very anxious to hear of your plans for the Rockefeller grant.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 27, 1968

Mr. John Dean, Associate Director
The Local Coalition Staff
The Urban Coalition
1815 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear John:

It was a pleasure getting to know you and I do look forward to a mutually profitable relationship. Enclosed is a copy of our current Publications List. Should you wish anything on it let me know.

Your name is being added to our mailing list and to our NEW SOUTH list. The last two issues of NEW SOUTH are also being sent you separately.

And again whenever you or your staff are in Atlanta we would be more than happy to have you take advantage of our office as a place of operation.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enc. - Publications List

August 27, 1968

University of North Carolina Press
Chapel Hill
North Carolina

Gentlemen:

At your earliest convience would you please ship us six copies of Sidney Baldwin's book, "Poverty and Politics: The Rise and Decline of the Farm Security Administration."

Please bill us accordingly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 27, 1968

MEMO TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Paul Anthony

Please send one copy of just about everything we have to Mr. Nandy, as cheaply as possible.

Label is attached.

PA/km

Enclosure

Mr. Dipak K. Nandy
Runnymede Trust
33 Sackville St.
London W1, Eng
"Hold for Arrival"

August 27, 1968

MEMO TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Paul Anthony

Please add the following person to our Interagency Mailing List, Complimentary NEW SOUTH list, and please send the last two issues of NEW SOUTH:

Mr. John Dean, Associate Dir.
The Local Coalition Staff
The Urban Coalition
1815 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Label is attached.

PA/km

Enc.

August 27, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

This will be an attempt to summarize our telephone conversation of yesterday.

As you know, the Special Committee made up of three state council directors and three members of the SRC Executive Committee met recently to determine which councils were sufficiently strong to receive project support from SRC during 1969. Needless to say, this Committee made recommendations only and any action will not be official until our Executive Committee meets next month. However, I believe the recommendations will be adopted by our Committee.

The Special Committee established several criteria by which they could weigh each state council. These included staff and Board strength, and particularly the involvement of policy leadership in a council operation. The need for a council relative to other programs in a given state, the in-state financial resources of a council, and the history of each council's operation are also included.

The Committee recommended that for the year 1969 North Carolina not be considered a viable council. I think their reasons were essentially as follows: (1) Concern that the Council was largely a staff operation and that the Board had minimal involvement. (2) The discouraging record of some 15 years of the North Carolina Council. (3) The extreme difficulty which the North Carolina Council has experienced in finding financial support including support from its membership (although the slow but steady increase in membership support was noted and commended).

In taking this action the Committee stressed that it felt that this was a recommendation for one year only and it hoped that you and your Board would take this action as an opportunity to reaccess whether or not you wish to continue and whether or not citizens of North Carolina wanted and would support an operation such as yours. Implicit in this expression was the hope that the response would be affirmative and that there would continue to be a North Carolina Council. Further, toward this end the Committee suggested that John McCown and I be available, should you or your Board feel it desirable, to come to North Carolina and discuss these matters with the North Carolina Council. The clear indication here was a desire to maintain a continuing relationship of the closest order between SRC and the North Carolina Council, and a continuing association with North Carolina among the other state councils.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

cc: Kenneth Dean
John McCown
Elijah Coleman

August 27, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee

Mr. James McBride Dabbs, Chairman
Dr. Samuel Cook
Dr. Lucius Pitts
Mr. Frank Smith
Dr. Bell I. Wiley

FROM: Paul Anthony

The dates of Saturday, October 12 and October 19 have been suggested for the meeting of the Lillian Smith Award Committee. On the enclosed card, would you please indicate whether or not you can attend and hold the dates until we can share with you the response of all members of the Committee.

We are today ordering Sidney Baldwin's "Poverty and Politics: The Rise and Decline of the Farm Security Administration."

PA/km

Enc.

August 27, 1968

Miss Kathleen Feyen
Secretary of C.O.P.E.
Greenwood Movement
708 Avenue "I"
Greenwood, Mississippi 38930

Dear Miss Feyen:

Under separate cover we are sending you two dozen copies of "Know Your Rights." If you need additional copies please let me know.

I am passing your letter along to Mr. Olive, who will note the change in your signature card.

Best of luck to you in your registration drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Thad Olive

August 27, 1968

Mr. Frank M. Hull, Jr.
Institute of Urban Research
The University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi 38677

Dear Mr. Hull:

I am enclosing the Mississippi registration figures for summer of 1967. I am also enclosing our citizenship education publications for Georgia and North Carolina. We are working on a similar publication for Mississippi but it is not yet completed.

If we can be of further service, please let me know

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 27, 1968

Mr. James Caldwell
Maury County Voter Education Project
512 Hill Street
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending August 17, 1968. We are returning it for certification by the person responsible for the project for his signature in the appropriate space on the bottom of the weekly report form.

May we have this at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:rlw
Enclosure

August 27, 1968

Mr. William P. Randall
Executive Secretary
Bibb and Jones Counties Action Committee
850 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed is a fresh supply of registration report forms. Please resubmit your report dated August 17 so as to show how many of those registered were in Jones County.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

August 27, 1968

Mrs. Newton B. Fowler
251 E. Parkwood
Decatur, Georgia 30032

Dear Mrs. Fowler:

The annual workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned will be held at the Atlantan Hotel, October 23-24.

We are asking you to come to a committee meeting at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, September 4 in the office of the Southern Regional Council, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W. (The old Journal Building.)

We would like to go over plans with you and find ways that a local committee could serve our visitors. We hope the date and time is open for you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

same ltr to:

Mrs. Newton Fowler
Mrs. Carlton Binns
Mrs. G. E. Anderson
Mrs. Betty Cantor
Mrs. A. H. Sterne
Mrs. John Patton
Mrs. Edw. Borwn
Mrs. Roscoe Pickett
Mrs. Robert Friedland

August 27, 1968

Mrs. Harry V. Richardson
9 McDonough Boulevard, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Dear Mrs. Richardson:

The annual workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned will be held at the Atlantan Hotel, October 23-24.

We are asking you to come to a committee meeting at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, September 4, in the office of the Southern Regional Council, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W. (The old Journal Building.)

We would like to go over plans with you and find ways that a local committee could serve our visitors. We hope the date and time is open for you.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

August 27, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to East Georgia

The following is a report of a field trip I made to East Georgia East Georgia, from July 23 through July 25. The trip was made during the time I attended the New Era Baptist Congress in Augusta. I investigated our projects in the counties of Richmond, Baldwin and Burke. These projects are headquartered in the cities of Augusta, Milledgeville and Waynesboro, respectively. On the whole the trip was satisfactory.

FIELD REPORT #27

RICHMOND COUNTY

In my investigation of the Richmond County Project, I talked with Rev. C.S. Hamilton and Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, director of the project. Aside from a short discussion about funds, we allocated for the project, Rev. Hamilton and I did not talk very much. Mrs. Williams and I discussed the progress of the drive, methods employed in registration, and problems members of the drive were encountering. On the whole I was impressed with Mrs. Williams.

400 REGISTERED IN ONE WEEK

From July 16 to July 23 the project headed by Mrs. Williams had been responsible for registering over 400 persons. While that reflects the work of one week by the project, the majority of the persons were actually registered in one day, July 22. For it was on that day that Mrs. Williams took over 300 persons to the Richmond County Courthouse, thereby flooding the courthouse. This tremendous increase in registrants produced a negative reaction on the part of the County Registrar, Mrs. Lucy Bernard, who from all indications either resented working to process this number of registrations or was resentful of the fact that these new registrants were black.

REGISTRAR CLOSES OFFICE

Almost as if Mrs. Bernard was retaliating for people going to the courthouse and making an attempt to participate in the political process, she promptly announced that her office would be closed for the remainder of the week, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Of course this caused problems for the project. Mrs. Williams and her workers had scheduled four or five appointments for Wednesday. They went to the courthouse and found that the registration office was closed. The registrar was working inside, and an attempt was made to ask her why the office was closed. Mrs. Bernard remarked that there was too much work to be done in the office and that she would have to reopen on Monday, July 29.

I was at Rev. Hamilton's talking with Mrs. Williams when one of her task force workers, Mrs. Scott, came into the office and announced the registrar's surprise of closing the office. Mrs. Williams was niticeably shocked as she began getting the details from Mrs. Scott. After Mrs. Scott had finished telling what had transpired at the registration office, Mrs. Williams told her to get the other task force workers and go to the houses of the persons who had appointments to go to the registration office for the rest of the week and tell them they would have to go on Monday. There was a look of disappointment on the faces of both. Mrs. Williams looked at me and said, "Well, it really doesn't surprise me that she did this." I asked Mrs. Williams to explain.

Mrs. Williams began to tell me about the registrar. According to her account, Mrs. Bernard is a staunch segregationist, and "needs to be retired." She is a lady who at times can be "very difficult." As an example, Mrs. Williams cited the events of the preceeding Monday, when Mrs. Bernard came out of her office and told the people waiting that they had had the whole year to register, and now she didn't even have enough time to get a drink of water. Mrs. Williams continued: "One man said, 'I'm scared of that woman, she is really acting nasty today.'" Moreover it is said that Mrs. Bernard refers to some black people as "uncle" and "auntie." In other words, the picture Mrs. Williams painted--if it is

an actual one, and I have no reason to doubt her--reveals that Mrs. Bernard is really not very anxious to register black people, much less be respectful of them.

Mrs. Williams and I discussed the situation and agreed that since Rev. Hamilton was the head of the organization that he should lodge a formal complaint to the office of Mrs. Bernard, and also lodge a complaint with the Justice Department. This Rev. Hamilton did; he sent Mrs. Bernard a telegram asking that the office be reopened immediately, and also sent a telegram to the Justice Department. After about an hour, there was a response from Mrs. Bernard's office, and she indicated that the office would reopen at 2 p.m. It was then about 12:15 p.m.

NEED FOR FEDERAL EXAMINERS

To my mind, cases like this reveal a need for Federal Examiners. It is just beyond me that black people should still have to undergo certain indignities in the post-civil rights period. Clearly in cases like this--and I am certain that Mrs. Bernard is not a singular case--that seem to show a kind of inborn inability to change, the black registration figures will be decreased by persons with these attitudes.

Black people therefore that much of white people will not, I don't think, register at this time unless very special consideration is given to their cases. This means a coming to grips and admitting that the only way to combat the fear of black people like this is to give them preferential treatment in the voter registration process. Blacks who

are fearful of whites today are not going to become any braver. Instead, with the present ultra-right-wingism finally manifesting itselfiin this country, we can expect those persons who are already afraid of whites to become even more so. And, I think it follows that whites will become much more firm in their resistance to blacks. So, we're really talking about doing something that the act does not even provide for. And, I think it would be politically naive to even expect the Congress at this date to pass legislation that would broaden coverage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

METHODS BEING USED

Members of the Richmond County project are canvassing, setting appointments and transporting persons desirous of registering to the registration office. They are also using radio spot announcements,on station WAUG in Augusta (and I must admit they are first-rate announcements) to appeal to the soul station listening audience. Very little is being done outside of that to publicize the drive. Mrs. Williams is of the opinion that personal contact is the most important element in the registration of people. She feels that if one can talk with them, then the possibility of convincing them to register to vote is much greater than if they are reached by audio-visual stimuli. Accordingly, the greater part of her and her workers' time is spent trying to make contact with persons in residential areas, in schools, in hospitals, and other public and private institutions.

BLACK CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

I was informed of their only two Negroes seeking political office in the upcoming primary election. These persons are Misters McIntyre and Dent, The latter, being an incumbent with no opposition in the primary. Both are running for the Georgia House of Representatives.

BALDWIN COUNTY

The Baldwin County project is probably the only project we have funded this year that is being conducted by whites and blacks working together. Of the approximately 20 persons engaged in the drive, at least eight were whites from the Milledgeville area. In these days, this is indeed unusual, but significant.

Mr. C.O. Brown of the Milledgeville area told me that approximately 600 persons had been registered in the eight-week period we allotted for their drive. The majority of these registrations occurred through personal contact by canvassing, selling the idea of registration, and then transporting persons from rural and urban areas to the county courthouse. As Mr. Brown indicated, the greatest difficulties in registering persons were in rural areas. There the people did not seem to be as interested in the registration process as those who lived in the towns. Mr. Brown and his workers attributed this to fear of the white man. But I think it is fair to say that this drive

this drive was a successful drive. It was a drive in which the workers had been gearing themselves for a visit and speech at their final meeting by the director of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, which canceled out. They decided that he had become just too busy for the little people in Georgia. I spent most of my time reassuring them that you were very busy and that if there was ever another occasion of this sort, perhaps you would be able to make it at that time.

According to the information Mr. Brown gave me, it seems that the registrar in Baldwin County had been using two cards for registering people. One card was white, the other, brown. The white card designated white people, the brown card designated black people. My understanding is that members of the project approached the registrar about this procedure but apparently nothing has been done about it. Mr. Brown indicated that he and members of the project would make another attempt to get the registrar to stop using the dual filing system. To date, I don't know whether they have been successful.

In a nutshell, then, it can be said that the Milledgeville project has done very well, and as far as my investigation is concerned, there are no substantive complaints or criticisms that can be made against it. Therefore, I think that if we are approached about making an extension for voter registration in Baldwin County, we should have no hesitancy in approving it.

BURKE COUNTY

On the day I left East Georgia, I talked with Mrs. Herman Lodge, executive secretary of the Burke County Voter Education Project, and Mr. Shelley Coleman, one of the Burke County area representatives. Mr. Lodge and Mr. Coleman were happy to see me and expressed very deep admiration for the work of the Voter Education Project. They reflected on last summer when Tony Dunbar and Bernard Parks went into the Burke County area and helped them with a citizenship education program. They were very appreciative of this, and asked that I convey their appreciation to you.

PERSONNEL

There are 14 persons actively involved in the Burke County voter registration drive. Most of these people are task force workers who are working in places like Waynesboro and Sardis, the largest municipalities in the county. Their mode of operation is grounded in the personal encounter, whereby they meet people and speak to them to convince them to register to vote.

Coleman and Lodge explained that that task force workers are much more effective by confronting people and explaining to them the need for registration than they would be if they relied on printed material or some other form of publicity. And, judging from the research reports we have received, this approach has been an effective one.

Misters Coleman and Lodge were unable to tell me how many people had been registered as a result of their project. They could only say that they felt there was an appreciable increase in the number of blacks registered in Burke County, and they supported this assertion with a story from the Waynesboro paper, The True Citizens The True Citizen gave front page coverage to the latest registration figures released by the county registrar. In that story, it was stated that 8,000 Burke Countians had registered to vote in the Sept. 11 Democratic primary, and it was estimated that this figure was about half white and half Negro. Inasmuch as the editor of the paper gave this front page coverage, one could assume that perhaps the black vote exceeds the white vote, since Burke is a predominantly black county. At any rate, it is my feeling that there has probably been a very substantial increase in the number of blacks registered to vote in Burke County.

TWO BLACK CANDIDATES

There are two Negroes running for political office in Burke County. These are James Reynolds, who is a candidate for the County Commission, and C.W. Francis, who is a candidate for superintendent of schools. Mr. Reynolds is said to have a very excellent chance of winning because he is an attractive candidate who will not only get a very heavy black vote, but also get a sizeable number of white votes. Mr. Francis is also given a good chance of winning. In many respects he can

be called the community candidate because when he decided to run for superintendent of schools, he did not have enough money for the qualifying fee, so members of the black community of Burke County cooperated in raising the fee for him. So, as Mr. Lodge stated, a good many people in the county have a very personal interest in his candidacy.

My overall impression of this drive is that the people who are conducting it are sincere and hard-working people who, I think, are doing the work. The only thing we need to substantiate this is the number of persons they have registered as a result of their drive. Hopefully, this information will be in our office before the September primary.

THE END

SYMPATHY

Paul Laurence Dunbar

I know what the caged bird feels, alas!
When the sun is bright on the upland slopes;
When the wind stirs soft through the springing grass
And the river flows like a stream of glass;
When the first bird sings and the first bud opes,
And the faint perfume from its chalice steals--
I know what the caged bird feels!

I know why the caged bird beats his wing
Till its blood is red on the cruel bars;
For he must fly back to his perch and cling
When he fain would be on the bough a-swing;
And a pain still throbs in the old, old scars
And they pulse again with a keener sting--
I know why he beats his wing!

I know why the caged bird sings, ah me,
When his wing is bruised and his bosom sore,
When he beats his bars and would be free;
It is not a carol of joy or glee,
But a prayer that he sends from his heart's deep core,
But a plea, that upward to Heaven he flings--
I know why the caged bird sings!

August 28, 1968

Mrs. Jack T. May
180 Cloverhurst Terrace
Athens, Georgia 30601

Dear Mrs. May:

On Wednesday, September 4, 10:00 a.m., in the conference room of the Southern Regional Council there will be a small group of Atlanta women to help form some of the detaiàà of the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned, which will be held October 23-24, Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

I need you to be with on next Wednesday. We will, of course, pay your travel expense.

Here's hoping.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

P. S. Our office is directly across the street from the Atlanta Journal-Constitution Building.

August 28, 1968

Mrs. Paula T. Helfrich
The Louisville Collegiate School
2427 Glenmary Avenue
Louisville, Kentucky 40204

Dear Mrs. Helfrich:

Enclosed is a bibliography of books about Negroes, and other material that should be of interest to you.

I hope this information proves helpful, and if we can be of further service, please write again.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js
Encls.

August 28, 1968

Miss Ruth Ann Crawford
1682 Scenic Avenue, Apt. 2
Berkeley, California 94709

Dear Miss Crawford:

Enclosed is a bibliography of books about Negroes, and other material that should be of interest to you.

I hope this information proves helpful, and if we can be of further service, please write again.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js
Encls

August 28, 1968

Mr. Walter E. Burch
1746 Dutch Broadway
Elmont, L. I., New York 11003

Dear Mr. Burch:

In addition to the two books listed below, enclosed is a bibliography of related material that should be helpful to you:

The Desegregated Heart by Sarah Patton Boyle (William Morrow and Company)

Negro Builders and Heroes by Benjamin Brawley (University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill)

Also enclosed is a copy of, Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis, which should prove helpful to you.

Thank you for writing, and if we can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to write again.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js
Encls.

August 28, 1968

Mr. Richard Dana Swan
Research Assistant
Children's Mental Health Unit
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Swan:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on the Vine City Foundation Medical Clinic and how it works, how it was set up, staffed and funded. For more information, I suggest you write directly to the foundation. The address is:

558 Magnolia Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

You may direct the letter to the attention of the director, Dr. William Noble.

Thank you for writing us; if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Dorie Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

August 28, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Thanks for sharing your letter of August 24th to the Field Foundation. The letter is well done and the plans indicated for the future seem to me to be extremely sound. I feel certain Les will see that the Foundation gives the request every possible consideration.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 28, 1968

Mr. James E. Youngdahl
McMath, Leatherman, Woods & Youngdahl
711 West Third Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Jim:

Thanks for your recommendation of Dan Powell. I know Dan and I agree with you completely that he would make an excellent member of the Council. We do have a problem in that 11 of our members are from Tennessee and 8 of those are white. Never-the less, this recommendation will certainly be brought to the attention of the Committee.

Incidentally, you may recall Bill Becker is a member of this year's Nominating Committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 28, 1968

Dr. David Chalmers
Professor of American History
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Professor Chalmers:

Enclosed is a Publications List from which we will be happy to send you anything that you think may be of value. We have in manuscript a study by Reese Cleghorn, who is on the editorial staff of the Atlanta Journal, on "Right Wing" groups in the South. This study, jointly sponsored with the American Jewish Committee, will be published in November. Should you wish a copy of that manuscript we will be happy to send it.

As a more general observation for whatever it may be worth, and to speak to the obvious, I believe the current political season, the manner in which the campaigns will be conducted, the extent to which "law and order" is stressed, the voters' response to that, and the amount of the vote which goes to George Wallace will really be the hard facts on which analysis must be made. From whatever source violence comes, it has long been our observation, as I am sure it has been yours, in studying such groups as the Klan, one or a very few people can commit murder, burn

churches or otherwise engage in violence that has far reaching implications. I think at this point the concern of all of us, and certainly of the National Commission, is more of one of how the society at large will act and react rather than a few extremists of whatever persuasion.

Needless to say, we will be more than happy to be of any possible assistance to you in your important work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enclosure - Publications List

August 28, 1968

Mr. Theodore M. DeLapp
561 Juniata Avenue
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania 19081

Dear Mr. DeLapp:

Under separate cover we are sending you several documents about the Council which I believe will answer at least in part your recent inquiry. Among those documents will be a Publications List. We shall be happy to supply you with any of the publications listed. We are also sending the two most recent issues of our quarterly magazine NEW SOUTH.

While the historical document and short brochure about the agency will go into this in some more detail, the Council was organized in 1944 to be an interracial, interfaith agency concerned with regional development with the basic understanding that our first priority had to be resolving our racial problems since that was the region's first priority, whether or not the region recognized this. The Council is legally a body of 100 persons which employs a staff of some 40 persons here in Atlanta (our influence in Atlanta, while significant, is not great; in fact, we have to be sensitive to not becoming too involved in the affairs of our home town at the expense of the remainder of the region). We have several major interests at the

moment. They are based heavily on our information and research activities towards that end. We are primarily interested in servicing the media relating to the academic world and otherwise reaching concerned opinion makers. Beyond this our major concerns are (1) attempting to interpret to the leadership - largely, but not exclusively white of the region - the reality of our times and (2) to assist as we can in the emerging black development in the region. The development with which we are most concerned is economic and political since we feel very strongly that our region will never achieve a truly healthy nor democratic society until all of our people share the economic and political benefits of our system and thereby contribute responsibly to those systems.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

cc. J. Wheeler

August 28, 1968

Mr. Christopher F. Edley
Program Officer in Charge
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Chris:

This is to respond to the request from Dr. Orum at Emory University which you sent down last week. Vernon returns tomorrow after a month of having been a MARC Fellow with Ken Clark in your town. I will share this with him on his return.

I have not been able to learn a great deal about Dr. Orum, although as his resume' indicates this is not his first interest in this subject. I do know that he is this week a member of the Julian Bond Delegation in Chicago. That, to me, speaks well for him.

I think a study such as Dr. Orum proposes is very much needed. I feel perhaps even more strongly than most of my colleagues that potentially we are undergoing a tremendous change politically in this region. I think, for instance, that in places such as Georgia and Mississippi there are the strong beginnings of a national Democratic party. For some time to come it will likely be

the minority party but there still remains the potential of the minority becoming the majority (and again I think that potential may be realized sooner than do most of my colleagues). With the exception of Arkansas I believe most of the South - after the George Wallace routine - will become ultra-conservative Republican. If this develops, particularly in Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, it will have a heavy undertone of uptowning racial bias as opposed to the blatant bias of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

If any of this is right we do need, of course, to know as much about it as possible. And the national implications are even greater than those for the region.

My only concern would be that it would require $135,000 to analyze what is happening. The cost of academic research is certainly beyond my knowledge and, of course, our type of research and information is based on much more modest expenditures, but this matter I have to leave to you and your staff.

Should Dr. Orum undertake this research, I hope you will assure him that all of us here, and particularly our resources in the Voter Education Project, will be at his disposal.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 28, 1968

Mr. Ignatio Perez
1400 Allende Street
San Antonio, Texas 78237

Dear Mr. Perez:

Enclosed are the voter education publications I promised in our telephone conversation August 28. We can furnish up to about two dozen copies of How to Conduct a Registration Campaign without charge. Above that number, the price is 20¢ per copy.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

Reading file

M E M O R A N D U M

August 28, 1968

TO: Cathy Martin

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: SRC Refund

Please find attatched my personal check in the amount of $5.60 for payment to SRC for travel advance of 8-9-68.

August 29, 1968

Mr. Wilton Dillon
Office of the Foreign Secretary
National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20418

Dear Wilton:

I cannot tell you how good it is to hear from you. Normally I would wait until I had read the article you sent me and comment on it. But I did want you to know that I shall certainly call you and Virginia on my next trip to Washington on the hope we can get together.

For the next two months my schedule is somewhat complicated by the fact that I shall be serving on the Grand Jury here, but surely sooner or later I shall be in Washington when you are. And I very much look forward to our getting together.

In the meantime, warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 29, 1968

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

This will confirm my being in Daytona Beach on October 13th and almost certainly my arrival on the afternoon before. When I know my schedule I shall let you know. There is a slight chance that I will be in an all-day meeting here on the 12th which would create serious complications, but I will try to resolve that.

I sincerely look forward to being with you and appreciate being asked.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 29, 1968

Miss Eleanor A. Eaton
Assistant Secretary
Community Relations Division
American Friends Service Committee, Inc.
160 North Fifteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Eleanor:

Earlier I had hoped to be in your area this week but was not because, Alas!, nobody works in New York in August. My problem is further complicated by the fact that I am scheduled to serve on the Grand Jury during September and October. I do, however, remain very anxious to meet with you and Barbara, and will call you as soon as I know whether or not I am struck from the Grand Jury list.

There have been a number of developments since we last wrote each other, and I continue to be very anxious to talk with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 29, 1968

Miss Celeste Warner
121 West Davis Street
Forrest City, Arkansas

Dear Miss Warner:

It was a pleasure to have met with you and to have discussed the progress of your registration drive in St. Francis County. I was very pleased to see that you have a fine staff, and although your work has been hampered somewhat by the difficulties we had in funding you, your work has progressed steadily. I hope your project has a very successful termination.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mr. Ira Crutcher
President
Cross County Voters League
Route 1 Box 224
Colt, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Crutcher:

I was very pleased to have met you after trying for so long to make some kind of contact with you and members of the Cross County Voters League. We are looking forward to hearing from you as soon as you and members of your organization have made some kind of determination as to whether or not you will accept the $1600.00 grant we made to you to conduct a voter registration drive in Cross County.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Nelson
President
Lee County Branch NAACP
P.O. Box 149
Marriania, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

On Friday, August 23, I spent almost two hours looking for you or someone connected with the voter registration drive in Lee County. Of course I was unable to find either you or other persons engaged in the drive. Hopefully, on my next trip to Arkansas, I will be able to meet with you and all concerned.

While driving through Marriania I was very pleased to see the very extensive publicity of your registration campaign. I hope your project has been successful, and will continue being so. If there is anything I can do please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mr. Willie E. Higgins
Coordinator
Community Roundtable
412 S. 25th Street
West Memphis, Arkansas 72301

Dear Mr. Higgins:

It was indeed a pleasure to have met and discussed with you the progress of your drive in Crittenton County. I look forward to visiting with you again, and wish for you every success in your continuning program for complete voter education.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mr. J.O. Jacobs
Director
Jefferson County Voter
Education Project
420½ N Cedar Street
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

It was a pleasure to have met with you and members of your project during my recent trip to Pine Bluff. It was good to see that your drive is progressing well, and I hope for you continued success in the ensuing weeks.

Please convey my very best wishes to Miss Muldrew and members of your office staff.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Dr. Sheldon B. Cohen
881 Somerset Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sheldon:

Many thanks for sending me the reprints of your article. Upon rereading it, I still believe that is is an excellent paper.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 29, 1968

Miss Dorothy I. Height
National Council of Negro Women
Workshops in Mississippi
147 East 81 Street, Apt. 1-E
New York, New York 10028

Dear Dorothy:

I have just received a News Release from the Office of Economic Opportunity announcing that the National Council of Negro Women will receive the Rural Service Award. You and Polly and all the people connected with NCNW-WIMS are being appropriately recognized.

Things are always hectic, but I do hope in the future we can get into trouble together more frequently!

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

cc: Mrs. Lewis G. Cowan

August 29, 1968

Mr. Norman H. Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood In Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 14th St.
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norman:

Your covering memo on the Walls' statment is quite good. I shall be interested in the response.

Quite obviously, my trip to New York of this week was cancelled, but I shall be anxious to know of the response. Sometime in September I will have to be in New York and will certainly let you know ahead of time.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

August 29, 1968

Mrs. Dean Mayhew
R F D 1
Bucksport, Maine

Dear Mary Ann:

I am terribly sorry not to have been able to answer yours of August 8th sooner, but have just been able to get some sort of an answer.

I would suggest that you write to:

Mrs. Patricia Miller, Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
1st Federal Savings and Loan Building
7896 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Mrs. Miller has a program on Negro culture and education but I cannot find out how well she is funded. Also, I would suggest that when you arrive in Baton Rouge, and get settled, you write Mr. Robert E. Anderson, Editor, NEW SOUTH -- SRC, and let him know how long you will be there. Sometime he has writing jobs which could work as a "filler."

Wish I had more positive suggestions!

Congratulations on your award!

Marjorie will be writing more.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

August 29, 1968

Rev. C.C. Akins
President
Augusta Voters League
Carver Elementary School
Augusta, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Akins:

It was a pleasure to have met you while I was in Augusta. I hope that by now your registration drive is on the move again, and I look forward to seeing very encouraging statistical reports. From all indications you are going to have a very successful registration drive.

Good luck and best wishes to all of your workers.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mr. Gene Reeder
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1320 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Gene:

It was a pleasure to have met you at long last. I enjoyed talking with you. I am sorry that Ben's departure from the AVEP has caused you some inconvenience. As soon as Vernon Jordan returns to the office I am going to talk to him about a number of things relating to the future of the AVEP. Conceivably, both of us will be in Arkansas before the end of September.

I was able to make contact with Mr. Crutcher of the Cross County Voters League. The address we had on our letter is correct. His telephone number is BE-83975, and he is listed in the Wynn, Arkansas directory. I gave him our grant letter, and he agreed to take up the matter of conducting a voter registration drive with members of his organization at their next meeting, which I think is during the first week of September. If the membership decides to conduct the registration drive, they will contact us and satisfy our grant making requirements accordingly. I hope you will get in touch with Mr. Cruther, because I forgot to give him his copy of the Arkansas Election Laws booklet.

Some other people in the Cross County area who are associated with the Voters League are; Mr. S.H. Burns--626 "E" Street, Wynn, Arkansas and Mr. Clarence Ashford, who owns a store in Wynn. The League usually meets at the Sunset Masonic Lodge, 411 "G" Street, also in Wynn.

Please convey my very best good wishes to Elija Carroll and Perlesta.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

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President
Augusta Voters League
Carver Elementary School
Augusta, Arkansas

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:rh

August 29, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Room 208
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

Many thanks for the recent report and for taking care of Mr. Cross and Mrs. Cosse. Meanwhile, what's the outlook for a South Carolina know-your-government booklet? In filing some old correspondence just now, I was reminded of this need as I reread the July 19 letter from our friend Mordecai Johnson. Let us hear.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

August 29, 1968

Mr. Ignatio Perez
1400 Allende Street
San Antonio, Texas 78237

Dear Mr Perez:

Pursuant to your recent request, enclosed are copies of our guidelines. We are delighted to learn of your interest in voter registration, and invite you to submit us a proposal.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative
Assistant
Voter Education
Project

TO:rlw
Enclosures

August 29, 1968

COPY

Mr. Morris Abram
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind,
Wharton & Garrison
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Abram:

The Fellowship of the Concerned, the woman's section of the Southern Regional Council, (as you may remember), will have its annual workshop on October 23-24 here in Atlanta at the Atlantan Hotel.

Mr. Abram, we need you and want you. The whole workshop will be built on "1968 - International Human Rights Year." You, with your experience with the United Nations would be invaluable to us.

We realize that you will already be loaded with work as a college president. We certainly do congratulate Brandeis on its new president. We would, of course, put you on the program anywhere that would inconvenience you the least. It could be the opening address on the 23rd, or at the evening session, or the morning of the 24th.

Here is hoping and longing for you to be with us for we need you.

Sincerely your friend,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

August 30, 1968

Mr. Marion Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

Enclosed are galley exeerpts from your speech on capital punishment. Could you read them over, and if you see any corrections, let us have them back by September 5?

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA, Jr/js

Encl.

August 30, 1968

Mr. Ray Jenkins
The Alabama Journal
Montgomery, A abama

Dear Ray:

Enclosed are galleys for you to look over, correct, and return to us by September 5.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA, Jr/js

Encl.

August 30, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78757

Dear Ed:

Could you look over the enclosed galleys, make any necessary corrections, and return to us by September 5?

Regards to the family.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA, Jr/js

Encl.

August 30, 1968

Mr. Theodore Solotaroff
The New American Library, Inc.
1301 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ted:

I talked with Bob Coles at length the day after I talked with you last week, and have since talked with Al Clayton, and we are all very much concerned about what has happened to the plans for the poverty book. The major points bothering all three of us are: (1) the change of publishers from New American Library to World Publishing Company; (2) the decision not to issue a paperback edition immediately, and perhaps not at all; (3) the uncertainty about how many copies of the hardback edition will be printed; (4) the question of whether at $5.95, the quality of the hardback will do justice to the photographs; (5) the title, all of us agreeing that the one suggested by Dr. Coles (_____) is preferable to Still Hungry in America.

The effect of these decisions is to alter nearly every basic term of our contract. We all three feel that we should have been consulted. Before things go any further with production, I feel that we need to settle the points of concern listed above.

We would of course prefer that the book bear your imprint, since it is with you that we contracted.

If there is to be the change, we need to know how many copies of the book will be printed, and to have some assurance that World has the kind of positive feelings about the book that you evidenced at the beginning, and some information about their distribution and promotion capabilities. In short, we started out dealing with you and your company and find ourselves now without any notice dealing with other people and another company about whom we know nothing.

On the question of quality, we need some assurance and evidence (perhaps proofs) that we will not end up with a book that is entirely different from what we contracted for, neither a cheap paperback for mass audience nor a quality hardback for critical attention.

The question of paperback distribution is basic. It was what prompted us to offer you the book in the first place. We don't want to insist on the terms of the contract in regard to the paperback edition against your judgment, in a way that would result in a publication you would not believe in, and would not promote fully. We are agreed that under such conditions, we would prefer to attempt to find another publisher.

I realize that the book is unusual and presents problems out of the ordinary, and we continue appreciative of your interest and feeling for the book. Our interest is just to reach as large an audience as possible with the important statement that the book makes. Your problems of course involve much more, including business aspects. But I just can't believe that these separate interests are inimical.

I hope we can work things out.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: Dr. Robert Coles
Mr. Al Clayton

76 Park Lane, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
August 30, 1968

Mr. Eugene Patterson
Editor
The Atlanta Constitution
P. O. Box 4689
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Dear Gene:

This is not for publication. The Constitution's handling of the Julian Bond story in the Thursday, August 29 paper was so rawly unprofessional and against all standards not just of journalism but common decency that damn it, I just want to protest. I have enough nostalgic feeling for those papers over there and enough sense of what they might be and enough respect for you to write this in good faith that it will be accepted somehow constructively.

Surely others have done the same, and you are aware of all the ways the handling betrayed what journalism ought to mean. But just to cite the record:

You ran a front page story leading on Maddox's irresponsible calling of Mr. Bond "a full-fledged Communist or Communist dupe." This is in the very worst tradition of press complicity in the old evil of red-smearing, and the newer one of an amorphous violence, verbal and real, in our public life. The charge should not have been dignified in print, let alone in the lead. (There were legitimate leads to the story, including Maddox's saying he would put Democratic electors on the ballot.) But not only did you use the charge, the story nowhere suggested that it is a lie, and nowhere did it do the victim the obligatory courtesy of allowing him to answer a defamatory attack.

Then on the inside, way inside, on page 16, you have a short AP story with a one-line head on Mr. Bond's speech seconding Eugene McCarthy's nomination. A Georgian making a major speech at a national convention, by all standards you normally use for play, including admittedly lamentable parochial ones, would have ordinarily been out front with a two or three column cut. The inference for its not being there is either Mr. Bond's race or his politics. Whatever the case,

it is shameful that Mr. Bond's hometown paper did not do justice to his performance -- his poise, articulateness, and decency, one of the rare instances in my memory when Georgians could feel proud of their state at a national convention.

I just felt like this ought to be said to you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

cc: Julian Bond

August 31, 1968

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

The enclosed is an invitation for you to attend the 1968 International Conference of Christians and Jews in Toronto. I can't imagine that you can take the time to go to this but, needless to say, SRC will be happy to take care of your expenses should you wish to go.

Vernon and I are off in the morning to witness the signing of the HUD Act in Washington. I am sure this invitation was extended to us at your request, and we appreciate it. Of course, we will probably see you there before you get this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

September 3, 1968

Mr. Samuel D. Watson, Jr.
Lot 33, Evergreen Trailer Court
Route 10
Charlotte, North Carolina 28213

Dear Mr. Watson:

Enclosed are two pieces about Orangeburg, one in the April 1956 NEW SOUTH, entitled "Boycotts Cut Two Ways", and a piece from the January 24, 1957 REPORTER.

We hope one of these will be the article for which you are looking. If we can be of further service please call on us.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures - 2

September 3, 1968

Dr. David Chalmers
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Professor Chalmers:

Enclosed is the Cleghorn manuscript. There will be a few minor changes, but nothing of significance other than perhaps a commentary on the November election.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

September 3, 1968

Mr. Donald A. Jelinek
Southern Rural Research Project
802 First Avenue
Selma, Alabama 36701

Dear Don:

I was grieved to get your letter, to learn that the South would be without your good mind, your good work, not just one more of the good people leaving, but a singularly valuable and understanding man. Damn it.

I can, however, understand why, and I want to wish you the best of everything in your new situation.

Please convey to Mr. Nunnally and to Dondra my heartfelt good wishes on their assuming new responsibilities, and assure them of my continued interest and wherever possible support.

Good luck, Don.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

September 3, 1968

Mr, Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

I thought you would be interested in the enclosed report on Ten Years of Prelude.

I have just finished reading your latest book, and have written Indiana University Press as enclosed.

Warm regards to you and Mrs. Muse.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

September 3, 1968

Mrs. Susanne W. Howard
Publicity Assistant
Indiana University Press
10th and Morton Streets
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Dear Mrs. Howard:

Thank you so much for sharing an advance copy of The American Negro Regolution by Benjamin Muse.

Mr. Muse has written a sound and accurate accounting of one of the most difficult and misunderstood periods in American history. The book is certainly of value to anyone who would try to understand that period. And, it will be invaluable for readers and scholars in the future.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Muse

525-6468

September 3, 1968

Mr. Donald A. Jelinek
Southern Rural Research Project
802 First Avenue
Selma, Alabama 36801

Dear Don:

I am both saddened and happy about your decision to move to California. Certainly, you deserve a more pleasant environment than the one in which you have worked for so long a time.

You should have, and I hope you do have, a deep sense of satisfaction out of the work you have done and the good you have accomplished.

Needless to say, if any of us in this office can ever be of help to you, we hope you will call on us.

Warmest regards and sincere best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 3, 1968

Mrs. Edith Walsh
Presbyterian Center
341 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Mrs. Walsh:

The Fellowship of the Concerned will have the annual workshop on October 23-24, Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

We need you and want you with us to lead one of the discussion groups. We are building the agenda on "1968 International Human Rights Year."

The morning session of the first day, we will face the problems before us--and they are many, as you know.

Call me at 522-8764.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

September 3, 1968

UNESCO Publication Center
317 East 34th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a check for $2.00 for which please send us --

1 - For All Children Poster Set --
Declaration of the Rights of the Child..$1.00

1 - UNESCO and Human Rights -- Twelve
photos and discussion guide..... 1.00

$2.00

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

September 3, 1968

Church Women United
777 United Nations Plaza
New York, N. Y. 10017

Dear Friends:

Enclosed you will find a check for $1.00 for which please send us "The Achievement of Human Dignity"--study guide for the observance of International Year of Human Rights - 1968.

Thanking you in advance, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

September 3, 1968

United Nations Association of
the United States of America
Publication Service
345 East 46th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a check for $3.00 for which please send us the following materials:

1 - 7815 - Human Rights Kit		$2.00
1 - 7950 - President's Human Rights Day Human Rights Proclamation		.25
1 - 7730 - Human Rights Year Poster		.25
	Postage	.50
		$3.00

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

September 3, 1968

Mrs. Mattie M. Gray
Route 2, Box 130-A
Aliceville, Alabama 35442

Dear Mrs. Gray:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, perople being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish foryou every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 3, 1968

Mrs. Nanvia Holmes
Director
Coffee County Voter Education Project
212 Weaver Street
Tullahoma, Tennessee

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 3, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Frank
Washington Representative
Southern Education Foundation
1501 Eighteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mrs. Frank:

Mr. Jordan has asked me to assure you that from now on you will receive the V.E.P. News and all other VEP publications.

He also asked me to tell you that he and Mr. Rougeau will be happy to see you on September 13.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Margaret Chanin
Secretary
Voter Education Project

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September 3, 1968

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
Post Office Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 4, 1968

Mr. B. J. Marsh
Statistical Information Division
Bureau of Census
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Marsh:

Many thanks for the July, 1968 report. Any time we can be of assistance, please call on me.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 4, 1968

Mr. Collus O. Johnson
Department of Continuing Education
West Georgia College
Carrollton, Georgia 30117

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Many thanks for your excellent report. I still hope to be able to attend one or more of your future meetings, so please let me know if there is any change in dates or locations.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 4, 1968

Mr. Hal Thurmond
Blue Lake Block Company, Inc.
Post Office Box 16
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240

Dear Mr. Thurmond:

Your letter to Mr. Anthony was passed along to me while I was on vacation.

"Know Your North Carolina Government" was the second in a series of booklets for eleven southern states. The first was "Know Your Georgia Government." We have plans for booklets for the other nine states. Unfortunately, however, this does not include Kentucky, since Kentucky is not a part of the area covered by our activities.

We would be quite happy for anyone in Kentucky to make use of our format in writing a booklet for that state. The first step is to accumulate basic information from such sources as state agencies, universities and the League of Women Voters. Once this material is accumulated, the task then becomes one of boiling it down and putting it in simplified terms. The basic writing for the Georgia booklet was done by Mrs. Florence Robbin, then of the Georgia ACLU. The basic writing and research for the North Carolina booklet was done by Bill Towe, research director of the North Carolina Voter Education Project.

It is not an easy undertaking to boil down such information in simplified terms. You need first a good writer. Then you need an illustrator and an editor. We feel that we are making improvements in our approach as we go along, and we believe that the North Carolina booklet was a substantial improvement over the Georgia booklet.

I hope this is the sort of information you wanted. As I said, we would be delighted for someone in Kentucky to make use of our format, and if I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Mr. Paul Anthony

September 4, 1968

Dr. Edward Guinn
City Council
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Dr. Guinn:

We have information that you were elected to the Fort Worth City Couhcil in 1967.

For our records of Negro elected officials in the South, we would like a confirmation of this report. Would you please indicate on the enclosed postcard whether our information is correct.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

Reading file

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
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PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern [redacted] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. [redacted] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

September 4, 1968

Dear Friend:

The annual workshop of "The Fellowship of the Concerned" will be held October 23-24 at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia.

This is a most important meeting. This year, 1968, has been proclaimed "International Human Rights Year"--the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of "The Declaration of Human Rights."

We will build our workshop on a study of our part in making 1968 a truly "International Human Rights Year." (By the way, the U. N. set-up of the three-week conference on this was held at Teheran, Iran.) The ruler of Iran reminded the group that 2000 years ago Cyrus the Great of Persia (now Iran) was the first ruler to issue a document on human rights. You might like to read about Cyrus the Great in the Old Testament.

The days of the seven and one-half months of 1968 were both full of evil and full of good at the same time. Truly 1968 was "the best of times, the worst of times:" riots, not only in the United States but in many countries, war, discriminations, revolt of our youth, injustice, crime, etc., that tear us apart.

At the same time, there have been great international conferences that bind the world together: "Peace Through International Law," "The Peace Conference at Prague," "The Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Uppsala, Sweden."

Our evening session will be reports from people who attended these conferences.

Our first morning session will be given over to the problems that beset us, the afternoon will be discussion groups.

October 24 - Reports of discussion groups, an address by a world leader, and a Consecration service--a pledge to carry on.

You will be our guest for a luncheon and a dinner on Wednesday, the 23rd. To make arrangements for these, as well as other physical arrangements, we need to know if you plan to attend. Please fill in the enclosed card and return to us not later than October 15. If you wish, you may bring a guest -- just let us know.

Sincerely,

Mrs M. E. Tilly

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MET/rh

Enclosure

September 4, 1968

Mrs. Catherine Thompson
97 Chappel Road
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

Mr. Jordan asked that I send to you the enclosed biographical sketch for your use in connection with his commitment.

If additional information is needed, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosure

September 8, 1968

Mr. Edward E. Elson
President
Atlanta News Agency
P. O. Box 355
3875 Green Industrial Way
Chamblee, Georgia 30005

Dear Eddy:

When you gave us the list of those airport newsstands that were willing to place New South on sale we had insufficient copies of the current edition. The latest edition was sent to the newsstands about three weeks ago.

Again, thank you for your continued help.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 4, 1968

Dr. John A. Griffin
Southern Education Foundation
811 Cypress Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Dr. Griffin:

Mr. Anthony has asked that I send you the enclosed pamphlets which you requested in your letter to him of August 29th.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosures: January 1964 NEW SOUTH
Reprint from The Annals by
Leslie W. Dunbar on SRC

September 4, 1968

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

Thank you for your suggestions. I could not agree more with you that we need more women, particularly more Negro women, both on the Executive Committee and on the Nominating Committee.

I know Sarah Herbin very well. In fact, I recently talked with her about the possibility of accepting a job here. I think, however, that because of personal reasons she will be unable to do so. She is still a good person to be considered this year for the Board.

There is another outstanding woman here in Atlanta, Mrs. Helen Howard, who has directed the most effective inter-city self-help program I know of. I shall recommend her very strongly to this year's Nominating Committee.

The prison men in both North Carolina and South Carolina are also excellent suggestions. Both of them are rather close to SRC. Their names, too, will be submitted.

I look forward to seeing you on the 14th.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 4, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78757

Dear Ed:

Delighted to hear from you and to know that things go as well as you indicate. And, I am especially delighted to know that so far as essentials are concerned prices are so reasonable.

Speaking of money, enclosed are the checks.

Enclosed is a relatively brief memorandum about the foundations. Needless to say, I would be more than happy to support you in any way I can. I will probably be in New York during the same time you are there. If so, will let you know and we can certainly consult there.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

September 4, 1968

Mr. Robert Greenwald
Community Relations Service
Department of Justice
1314 Wood Street
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Greenwald:

Per your telephone request, we are enclosing a copy of the 1967 Annual Report.

Yours truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosure

September 4, 1968

The Honorable Zan Holmes
6910 Robin Road
Dallas, Texas 75209

Dear Mr. Holmes:

Per the request of Mr. Robert Greenwald, we are sending you under separate cover a 1966 Annual Report and a 1967 Annual Report. We do not have available reports on each of the councils on human relations, but we are also sending a council directory and suggest that you write them direct.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

September 5, 1968

Mr. Sol Battle
Box 3552
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Battle:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached proposal of August 31, which was forwarded to me from New York.

Apparently Professor Van Woodward thought that I was still on the staff of the Field Foundation in suggesting that you contact me. I am now working with the Southern Regional Council here in Atlanta.

I have read your proposal to establish a Harlem Museum of New World art with some interest, however, we cannot help in this effort. We are returning your proposal with the suggestion that you send it back to the Field Foundation to the attention of Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar, Executive Director.

We do wish you luck in finding the necessary support.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis
Director
Community Organization Project

JL/rh

September 5, 1968

Dr. Paul Leslie Garber
423 Glendale Avenue
Decatur, Georgia

Dear Dr. Garber:

Our telephone conversation did not give you many details of the workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned to be held at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., October 23-24. So we will follow up the phone conversation.

The Fellowship of the Concerned is the Woman's Work of the Southern Regional Council. It came into being in 1943 so this is our Silver Anniversary. Each year since 1943, leading women from the eleven southern states have come together to face problems and try to find solutions. The Fellowship is interracial and inter-faith.

This year our general theme is "1968 International Human Rights Year."

Outline of program --

October 23, 9:30 a.m. - Morning program - facing our problems, i.e., labor, race, domestic service, etc.

12:30 - lunch

1:30 - 4:00 - Workshop groups

6:30 p.m. - Banquet

Report of the three great International Conferences --

Peace through International Law
--Mr. Hamilton Lokey

Prague Peace Conference
--Miss Peggy Billings

World Council of Churches
--Dr. Paul Leslie Garber

As plans progress we will send you further information.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

September 5, 1968

Dr. & Mrs. B. L. MacKinnon
79 Linnmore Street
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Dr. & Mrs. MacKinnon:

Some time ago Dr. Herbert Hampshire requested that I share with you some of our publications. A collection is enclosed. I hope you find them of interest.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures
Winter and Spring, 1968 NEW SOUTH
SRC Promotion Leaflet
"The Present Dilemma of the Negro", Clark
Publications List
The Delta Prisons
Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis

Separate mailing:

Atlanta Housing Study
Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis

September 5, 1968

Mr. Max Courtney
4330 Hartwick Road, #509
College Park, Maryland 20740

Dear Max:

Please forgive me this long delay in writing to you. We have very little information about Atlanta specifically. However, under separate cover I am having sent to you a housing report we did and a study on the opinions of black youth.

In terms of economic information, I suspect an inquiry to the Chamber of Commerce would flood you with propaganda, some of which would be factual.

Do keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 5, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Sam:

Sorry you cannot be with us on the 14th, but we do understand.

I am even more sorry to have had to worry you at Capahosic, but when a man becomes a distinguished, accomplished, and well-known political scientist and social analyst, he simply has to bear the burdens of his fame and talent.

More seriously, I know you did an excellent job.

Warmest regards to you and Sylvia.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

PA/mmj

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PA/mmj

September 5, 1968

Miss Thelma Stevens
Board of Missions
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Thelma:

I am asking you to have charge of the discussion groups at the annual workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned. We will get the leaders together the day before--October 22.

Our general them is --
"1968 International Human Rights Year."
The twentieth anniversary of the adoption of "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Incidently, this workshop is the Fellowship's Silver Anniversary.

The first morning we face problems that interfere with the rights of men. Discussion groups in the afternoon. Banquet at 6:30 with reports of international conferences, etc.

I wish I could find an American Indian and a Spanish American to tell their stories.

Love a heart full to you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

September 5, 1968

Mr. Arnold Aronson, Secretary
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20031

Dear Mr. Aronson:

This is to thank you for the information you are giving to us on what is happening in Congress and also to make a request of you.

The Fellowship of the Concerned, the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council, will have its 25th annual workshop here in Atlanta, October 23-24, at the Atlantan Hotel. On the morning of the 23rd we would like very much to have you speak to us on "U.S. Congress 1968." The Fellowship brings together leading women from eleven southern states--it is interracial and inter-faith.

Our general subject is "1968 International Human Rights Year."

We will, of course, pay your travel and hotel expenses. We hope you may be able to stay the full time.

Here's hoping.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly,
Director of Woman's Work

MET/rh

September 5, 1968

Mrs. Harry F. Sommardahl
2657 Cornwallis Avenue
Roanoke, Virginia 24014

Dear Mrs. Sommardahl:

The invitation to you from the Fellowship of the Concerned was to you as president of the Virginia Conference. Mrs. Cave has been sent an invitation also. We hope very much that you can attend and, if not, we would welcome anyone you might like to send in your place.

The workshop will begin at 9:30 a.m. on October 23 and will close at noon, or shortly thereafter, the next day, October 24.

We do hope you can come.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

September 5, 1968

Mr. Earl M. Johnson
Jacksonville City Council
City Hall
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In editing the manuscript for ~~the~~ Julian Bond*s book on how Negro officials in the South wone their elections, I note that we do not yet have a photograph of you. Could you please sent us one as soon as possible? ~~Either~~ We would prefer a ~~photo~~ full length picture of you at city hall or working in some official capacity.

Thank you for your help.

September 5, 1968

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Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Mrs. Athalie Range
Miami City Commission
City Hall
Miami, Florida

Dear Mrs. Range:

In editing the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates and elected officials in the South, I note that we donnot have a picture of you. Could you please send us one as soon as possible? We would prefer a photograph of you working in some official capacity as city commissioner.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Mr. Peter Smith
Mayor Pro Tem
Grand Coteau Town Council
Grand Coteau, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Smith:

In editing the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates and office-holders in the South, I note that we do not have a picture of you. Could you please send us one as soon as possible? We would prefer a photograph of you working in some official capacity as mayor protem.

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Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells

September 5, 1968

Mr. R.A. Dent
1117 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dent:

In editing the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates and office-holders in the South, I note that we do not have a picture of you. Could you please send us one as soon as possible? We would prefer a photograph of you taken on the State Capitol grounds or in the House chamber, if possible.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
Research Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Vernon has passed along to me your excellent statistical reports and the other material. Thanks also for the copy of the report from Greene County.

I hope you received the Day drawings from the North Carolina booklet. If I remember correctly I put them intthe mail just before leaving for vacation.

Hope you had a good vacation at the beach. Glad to hear that you are moving into more comfortable quarters there in Durham.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 5, 1968

Mr. G. R. Reeder
Acting Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Gene:

Many thanks for the report and for the two pictures. We have a newsletter about ready to go to press, so we will hold the pictures for the subsequent issue. We will return them as soon as they have been used. Thanks again for being thoughtful enough to send them.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 5, 1968

Mrs. Charles N. Kahn, Jr.
President
The League of Women Voters
of New Orleans
Gallier Hall
545 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Kahn:

A single, brief narrative report will be sufficient to meet research report requirements for your project. This report should describe your activities, what you think was accomplished and what problems you ran into. I have heard about the material you will be using and I am very anxious to get your report on the results.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 5, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Congratulations to you and Edgar Taplin on the Eighth District handbook. The voting-age population figures mentioned on the first page are indeed taken from the 1960 census. Our failure to specify that fact in the booklet was an oversight.

I look forward to seeing your rundown on the Democratic Convention.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

VEP 68-145
File

September 5, 1968

The Reverend Peter Kirksey
Route 1 Box B-19
Boligee Alabama 35443

Dear Rev. Kirksey:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

VEP 68-144
File

September 5, 1968

Mr. Dickey Winsett
416½ Caplewood Drivef
Tuscaloosa Alabama 35401

Dear Mr. Winsett:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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VEP 68-143
File

September 5, 1968

The Reverend Henry Haskins Jr.
607 E. Jackson St.
Demopolis Alabama

Dear Rev. Haskins:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

VEP 68-142
File

September 5, 1968

The Reverend F.M. Nixon
Route 1 Box 151
York Alabama 36925

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

VEP 68-149

September 5, 1968

Mr. James W. Holley
Central Civic Forum
446 Effingham Street
Portsmouth, Virginia

Dear Mr. Holley:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Central Civic Forum for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Portsmouth, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from September 9 to November 18, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	350.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		500.00
Office Supplies		200.00
Telephone		125.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Citizenship Education Materials		250.00
		$2,500.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

VEP 68-145

September 5, 1968

The Reverend Ed Langford
President
Bradley County NAACP
Route 2, Box 664
Warren, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Langford:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bradley County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bradley County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 9 to November 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Telephone		50.00
Office Supplies		55.00
		$1,500.00

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

VEP 68-147
File

September 5, 1968

Mr. John D. Crockett, President
Chicot County Branch NAACP
312 W. Bine St.
Dermott Arkansas

Dear Mr. Crockett:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

VEP 68-148
File

September 5, 1968

Mrs. Exie Lockhart, Chairman
El Dorado and Union Counties NAACP Branch
1407 W. 19th St.
El Dorado Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Lockhart:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research report that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zq

September 5, 1968

Mr. Ledell Mackie:
Route 5W, Box 1465
St. Francisville, Louisiana 70775

Dear Mr. Mackie:

We have the photograph you sent to be used in Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates in the South. We would also like to use some pictures of office-holders campaigning or at their elected jobs. Do you think you could send us a picture of yourself while you were campaigning, or could you have one made of yourself attending a police jurors' meeting? If so, we would like to have it as soon as possible.

The Voter Education Project will be glad to pay your expense in having a photograph made. Please send the bill directly to Mr. Marvin Wall.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Mr. Calvin Turner
Route 2, Box 63
Crawfordville, Georgia 30631

Dear Mr. Turner:

I am editing the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates in the South. Could you please send us a picture of yourself to include in the book?

If possible, we would like a picture of you campaigning--talking to voters, making a speech or something similar to that. Any clear photograph of yourself will be all right.

The Voter Education Project will be glad to pay the expense of having a picture made if you do not already have one. Send the bill directly to Mr. Marvin Wall.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Miss Barbara Jordan
5303 Lyons Avenue
Houston, Texas 77020

Dear Miss Jordan:

I am editing Julian Bond's manuscript on Southern Negro candidates which he compiled for the Voter Education Project. While we have head shots of most of the candidates who contributed to the book, including yourself, we believe it would add interest if we included photographs of the candidates campaigning or actually at work in their offices.

Do you think you could provide us with such a photograph of yourself--possibly attainable from one of the local newspapers? If so, we would appreciate your sending it as soon as possible.

Any expense you incur will be paid by the Voter Education Project. Please send the bill directly to Mr. Marvin Wall, head of research.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 5, 1968

Mr. John Cashin
416 Owens Avenue, N. E.
Huntsville, Alabama 30801

Dear John:

Just a note to commend you on your valiant efforts at the Chicago Convention. You may have lost the battle, but not the war of involving black people in the Alabama political process. The time, the money and the hard work that you so willingly gave will soon bear fruit.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 5, 1968

The Reverend Thomas Thrasher
Chapel of the Cross
Chapel Hill,
North Carolina

Dear Tom:

I just returned to the office after a month's absence whereupon I learned that Mrs. Thrasher has been seriously ill. I relayed this information to my mother and wife, and they asked that I convey to Mrs. Thrasher through you, their good wishes and hope for a speedy recovery. Needless to say, I join them in their sentiments.

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 5, 1968

Mrs. Mercedes Wright
415 Rendant Avenue
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mercedes:

Just a note to say how good it was to see you carrying the banner for full participation by blacks in the political process at the Chicago conference.

Congratulations on your good work.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 5, 1968

Dr. Herman Long
President
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Herman:

The Voter Education Project has a proposition that it would like to make to Talladega College as relates to the setting-up of a service center at Talladega for black elected officials in Alabama. I would like to discuss the matter with you at your earliest convenience.

If you plan to be in Atlanta within the fortnight please give me a little of your time, or if that cannot be arranged, I will be more than happy to come to Talladega at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

VEP68-151

September 5, 1968

Mr. G. W. C. Brown
Executive Secretary
The Tidewater Area Council
for Community Improvement
Virginia State College
Norfolk Division
Norfolk, Virginia 23504

Dear Mr. Brown:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Tidewater Area Council for Community Improvement for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Norfolk and Virginia Beach, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,700.00 for a period of four weeks to tun from September 9 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 140.00
Associate Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	100.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	100.00
Eight (8) Task Force Workers	@$15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		400.00
Office Rent		60.00
Printing and Publicity		275.00
Office Supplies		100.00
Telephone		45.00
		$1,700.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

VEP 68-150

September 5, 1968

Mr. Calvin Montgomery Miller
Director, VOTE
Box 307
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia 23803

Dear Mr. Miller:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of Project VOTE for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the first, third, fourth and fifth congressional districts of Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,000.00 for a period of four weeks to run from September 9 to October 7, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $100 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	200.00
Four (4) District Leaders	@ $75.00 per week	1,200.00
Transportation		750.00
Office Rent		75.00
Supplies		100.00
Publicity		175.00
Telephone		100.00
		$3,000.00

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

September 6, 1968

Mr. John A. Paul
First National Bank Building
Room 208
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

Dear Mr. Paul:

Your letter to Mr. Wood has been referred to our research department.

Under separate cover, I am mailing you some publications on Human Relations Councils. Also enclosed is our latest publications list. If after reading it you desire more information, please let us know.

For additional information, I suggest you write the National Association of Intergroup Relations, 2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C., and the Construction and Community Development Department, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Washington 6, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

September 6, 1968

Mr. Stuart Eizenstat
1721 DeSales Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eizenstat:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information about George C. Wallace.

I suggest you obtain a book written by Marshall Frady entitled, Wallace, and published by the New York Work Publishing Company, 119 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019.

Thank you for calling; if we can be of further service, please let us know.

There will be a charge of $5.10 for the materials.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

VEP 68-149
File

September 6, 1968

Mr. James W. Holley
Central Civic Forum
446 Effingham St.
Portsmouth Virginia

Dear Mr. Holley:

In his recent letter, Mrs.Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This reportsshould accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

VEP 61-146
File

September 6, 1968

The Reverend Ed Langford, President
Bradley County NAACP
Route 2 Box 664
Warren Arkansas

Dear Rev. Langford:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:zw

September 6, 1968

Mr. John Otis Cochrane
230 Walnut Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Otis:

George Booker today gave me the good news of your full scholarship to Yale School of Law for the coming school year. This comes to say congratulations and best wishes in New Haven. I am confident that you will find the law exciting and fascinating, and a useful tool in helping to make the world a better place to live in.

Good luck and study hard.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 9, 1968

Mr. Lynn Sechler
Training Coordinator
San Fernando Valley State College
Northridge, California 91324

Dear Mr. Sechler:

"Cooperatives, Credit Unions and Poor People" is out of print. We are in the process of writing an updated version; however this publication is a survey of this type movement and not a document which we feel would be very satisfactory as material on consumer education.

If you would like an updated version please write and we will forward it to you when it is published.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

OEP 68-152

September 9, 1968

Mr. Rodney Albert
President
Bamberg County Branch
NAACP
Box 202
Denmark, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Albert:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bamberg County Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Bamberg County, Denmark, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 13 to November 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expenses (@ $30.00per week)	$ 240.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers (@ $ 15.00 per week)	480.00
c)	Transportation	250.00
d)	Printing & Postage	30.00
Total		$1,000.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Messrs. James Felder
W. C. Patton

VEP-
68-153

September 9, 1968

Mr. W. Patrick Flack
Anderson County
Human Relations Council
Route 8, Box 248-A
Anderson, South Carolina 29621

Dear Mr. Flack:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Anderson County Human Relations Council, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Anderson, Anderson County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 13, to November 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expenses (@ $ 25.00 per week)	$ 200.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	480.00
c)	Transportation	250.00
d)	Printing & Postage	70.00
Total		$ 1,000.00

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. James Felder

VEP 68-160
Vernon

September 9, 1968

Dr. W.F. Gibson, Chairman
Greenville County Voter Education Project
409 E. McBee St.
Greenville South Carolina

Dear Dr. Gibson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greenville County Voter Education Project to conduct a voter registration drive in Greenville County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 16 to November 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight-weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		250.00
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Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw
Enclosure
cc: James Felder

VEP 68-159
Vernon

September 9, 1968

Dr. J.A. Miller, President
Greenwood County NAACP
Box 1232
Greenwood South Carolina 29646

Dear Dr. Miller:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greenwood County NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Greenwood County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of seven weeks to run from September 15 to November 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to seven weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
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VEP 68-158
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September 9, 1968

The Rev. N.L. Bush, Chairman
Aiken County VEP
442 Williamsburg St. N.E.
Aiken South Carolina 29801

Dear Rev. Bush:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Aiken County VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Aiken County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 10, 1968 to November 11, 1968.

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68-157

September 9, 1968

The Reverend C. M. Johnson
President
Spartanburg Civic League
199 West Park Avenue
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The VoterEducation Project has carefully considered the request of the Spartanburg Civic League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Spartanburg County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $$,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 13 to November 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant ti eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: James Felder

65-154

September 9, 1968

Mr. Christopher Bright
Director
Charleston All Citizens Registration Committee
Route 1, Box 255-C
Charleston, South Carolina 29407

Dear Mr. Bright:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Charleston All Citizens Registration Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Charleston County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of$$1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 13 to November 8, 1968

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68-155

September 9, 1968

Dr. R. N. Beck
Florence County Committee on Community Affairs
403 North Bargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Florence County Committee on Community Affairs for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Florence County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 15 to November 10, 1968.

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68-154

September 9, 1968

Mr. James A. Moore
President
Hampton County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 65
Hampton, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Moore:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hampton County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Hampton County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 15 to November 11, 1968.

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Director
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Enclosure

cc: James Felder
W. C. Patton

VEP
68-161

September 9, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Felder:

This is to inform you that we have deposited in your account at the National Bank of S. C., Sumter, S. C., the amount of $500.00 as the initial payment on a grant for your statewide leadership training conference to be held in Orangeburg, S. C., September 21.

As the expenses occur, if you will please forward same to us, we will send the funds by return mail.

I regret very much that I will not be able to attend the meeting, but after my speech last year at the same meeting, maybe I should stay away this time.

Best wishes for a successful meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 10, 1968

Mrs. Rosalind Wyman
Screen Gems, Inc.
1334 Beechwood Drive
Hollywood Californiam90028

Dear Mrs. Wyman:

This brief note is to thank you for your expression of gratitude. The pleasure was all mine.

It ismmy sincere wish and desire that the promotional efforts of Screen Gems will be most rewarding.

Again, thanks very much.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

September 10, 1968

Mr. C.C. Bryaht
Pike County Branch NAACP
333-B McComb Street
McComb, Mississippi 39648

Dear Mr. Bryant:

We have received Mrs. Emojene Bryant's handwritten report, dated August 26, on the results oftthe second week of the Pike County voter registration drive. However, we have not yet received a report on our forms stating the number registered during each weekly period.

In case forms have not been sent to you, I am enclosing a dozen. We would like to have the reports as soon as possible for our records.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 10, 1968

Mr. Rodney Albert
President
Bamberg County,Branch, NAACP
Box 202
Denmark, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Albert:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Reading File

September 10, 1968

Miss Jean Fairfax
N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle,
New York, New York 10019

Dear Miss Fairfax:

In reply to your Memorandum, dated September 4, 1968, I wish to advise I will attend the EEOC Meeting in Washington, D. C. on September 16, 1968.

Yours truly,

Emory F. Via
Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

September 10, 1968

Mr. W. Hewlett Stith, Jr.
Virginia Conference Program Council
The United Methodist Church
4016 W. Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Stith:

Thank you for the $1.00 and request for a subscription to NEW SOUTH.

We are enclosing a copy of the latest issue of NEW SOUTH and an invoice in the amount of $2.00. The cost of the subscription per year is $3.00.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

MEMORANDUM September 11, 1968

To: Pat Watters
Glenda Bartley
Bob Anderson
Emory Via
James Wood
John Lewis
John Boone
Moreland Smith
Vernon E. Jordan
From: Paul Anthony

While items have appeared periodically in the reading file, I am remiss at not having informed you of the Executive Committee meeting which is to be held this Saturday, September 14th.

There is nothing on the agenda of any great consequence and nothing in a specific subject area that would make it essential for any particular member of the professional staff to be present. I, nevertheless, hope that you can attend, unless you have other commitments.

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September 11, 1968

Roosevelt Hotel
Madison Avenue & 45th Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Please reserve a single room for the undersigned for the night of Wednesday, September 18th. If you are unable to honor this request, please notify me by wire collect.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 11, 1968

Mr. Meighan G. Johnson
Box 275
State University, Arkansas
72467

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your subscription to NEW SOUTH and your interest in the activities of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

A subscription has been entered for you to the NEW SOUTH magazine. We are enclosing a brochure on the Southern Regional Council which will be of interest to you.

In reply to your interest in activities of SRC in and around Jonesboro, Arkansas, we have a state council in Little Rock. Ths address is 1310 Wright Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72206 and the telephone number is A.C. 501 FRanklin 6-3541.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km
Enc.

September 11, 1968

Mr. T. K. Mahadevan
Gandhi Peace Foundation
221 Rouse Avenue :
New Delhi 1

Dear Mr. Mahadevan:

I write to ask your forgiveness for not fulfilling my promise to send an article for your special issue on Dr. King. There were various reasons, including some pressing deadlines for other writing, but the main thing was that somehow I just didn't have the feeling in me to do it -- particularly after the assassination of Robert Kennedy. I trust you understand. Some day I will be up to the job, and when this time comes, I would like very much to share with you what I do write.

In the meantime, I would be very much interested in receiving a copy of your special issue on Dr. King.

Thank you again.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director, Information

PW/vmb

September 11, 1968

Mr. Philip M. Stern
1712 I Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Stern:

This is to ask if we might have a copy of your speech nominating Channing Phillips for President at the Democratic National Convention. I thought the speech was an eloquent, informed statement on most of the problems with which we here at the Southern Regional Council are concerned, and that it expressed beautifully the spirit that is needed in solving these problems.

What I would like to do is read the speech in the cold light of our non-partisan policies and tax-exemption requirements, and see if I am correct in thinking that it would be an appropriate one to run in our quarterly magazine, New South. So this is also to ask permission to print it -- if, as I say, it reads as broadly non-partisan as it sounded on television.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director, Information

PW/vmb

P.S. The speech would appear in our Fall Issue which will come out after the national elections. I am enclosing two recent issues of the magazine.

September 11, 1968

Mr. John Hunter
National Features Syndicate
2711 N. Pulaski
Chicago, Illinois 60639

Dear Mr. Hunter:

Your request for materials relating to hunger in Mississippi is enclosed.

As for pictures you may select those you would like to have from the illustrated issue of NEW SOUTH, and we will then provide 8 x 10 glossies. Price is $50.00 per print.

Sincerely yours,

R. E. Andersson
Editor

REA/km

Enclosures

September 11, 1968

Mr. George E. Kassabaum, FAIA
President, The American Institute
of Architects
1430 Olive Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103

Dear George:

Thanks very much for your letter of September 9, 1968. I certainly can understand your problem of getting answers to questionnaires. This is quite a problem whether you look at it as a researcher or as the recipient of the questionnaire!

Whatever you do will be just that much more than has ever been done. You possibly would be interested in the incident of when I was advising Tuskegee some years back when they were retaining architects for a potential building program we had a terrible time locating Negro architects.

I will give this further thought and if I come up with anything constructive, I will write again. With all of the best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

September 11, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also, please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

September 11, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

September 11, 1968

Mr. James Jolliff Jr.
Route 2, Box 112
Woodville, Mississippi 39669

Dear Mr. Jolliff:

In editing the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates, I note that we do not have a picture of you. Could you please send us one as soon as possible? We would prefer a photograph of you taken during your campaign for board of supervisors--shaking hands with voters, making a speech, etc. If such a picture is not available, a plain head shot will be all right.

We would also appreciate it if you would keep us up to date on your appeal.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 11, 1968

The Reverend N. L. Bush, Chairman
Aiken County VEP
442 Williamsburg Street, N. E.
Aiken, South Carolina 29801

Dear Mr. Bush:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 11, 1968

Dr. J. A. Miller
President
Greenwood County Branch, NAACP
Box 1232
Greenwood, South Carolina 29646

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

September 11, 1968

Dr. W. F. Gibson
Chairman
Greenville County Voter Education Project
409 East McBee Street
Greenville, South Carolina

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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September 11, 1968

Dr. Edwin H. Mitchell
Chairman
Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project
1805-B Jefferson Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37208

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project to conduct a voter registration drive in Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from September 17 to November 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $15.00 per week	$ 500.00
Eight (8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,200.00
Office Rent		125.00
Telephone		50.00
Citizenship Education Materials		175.00
Transportation		400.00
Office Supplies		50.00
		$2,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The VEP will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be mailed to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The VEP will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase in number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Avon Williams

September 12, 1968

Mr. Ralph M. Kesler Jr.
Assistant Operations Officer
C & S National Bank of South Carolina
Anderson South Carolina

Dear Mr. Kesler:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 11 addressed to Mr. Jordan. Persuant to your inquiry, the signature of Mr. W. Patrick Flack will be sufficient.

We appreciate your interest in this matter, and if we can be of additional service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

September 12, 1968

Miss Charlotte Roe
Frontlash '68
315 East 53 Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Charlotte:

Thank you very much for sending me the information on what Frontlash has been doing this year. The pamphlets on housing and crime-in-the-streets are very good and I do hope they will be effective in counteracting white backlash. Somehow, though, I am very fatalistic about the success of efforts such as yours to combat white backlash. Racism is so deeply ingrained in the fiber of this society until I doubt very seriously whether there are any ameliorative steps we can take and be successful at. But I suppose we must keep trying.

Good luck in your program and do let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mr. Robert Howard
Community Organization for
Progress and Education
391 Oak Street
Social Circle, Georgia

Dear Mr. Howard:

Thank you very much for your letter informing me of your attempts to secure federal voting examiners in the Walton County area. I do hope that all is now going well and that you encounter no further difficulties. If there is ever anything we can do, do let us hear from you.

Very truly yours,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Miss Gwendolyn A. Osborne
Griffin Hospital and Clinic, Inc.
Broad at Planter Street
Baimbridge, Georgia 31717

Dear Gwendolyn:

Where are you and what ever happened to that registration drive you were supposed to conduct in Bainbridge? Do let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

This is just a short note to tell you that I really appreciate the way you have been reporting. I appreciate receiving itineraries and the report of your activities in the state. Thanks again and good luck.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mrs. Rebecca Bose
Principal
Swayze Elementary School
2111 South Sixth Street
Monroe, Louisiana 71201

Dear Mrs. Bose:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 19 requesting information about the Voter Education Project. Enclosed is a copy of our guidelines which will indicate in some way what we try to do and a copy of our most recent newsletter. After examining these materials you desire more information, do let us know.

Mr. William Samuel, director of the Louisiana Voter Education Project, should be getting in touch with you very soon to inform you of some of the programs of his organization. I am sure Mr. Samuel will be very happy to hear of your interest in the programs of the Voter Education Project.

Again, thank you very much for your letter and do let us hear from you.

Very truly yours,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

cc: William H. Samuel

September 12, 1968

Miss Paula Whatley
Box 447, Hill Hall
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

Dear Paula:

Thank you very much for sending me your report. Although it was late, it was still very well written and I think, indicative of the kind of work you should have been doing throughout the summer. I am still awaiting Lynn's report. If you have any way of letting him know this, please do that for me.

Although the summer was at times chaotic I hope that the experienced you gained was meaningful and will enhance your appreciation for things political and otherwise in the ghetto. There is so very much that has to be done in terms of organization and coordination of our efforts for maximum political effectiveness. And you, as a young black, must be involved in this effort. So I hope this will not be your last encounter with activities such as voter registration.

Here's hoping you will have a very successful school year. If I am ever in Philadelphia, I will drop by to holler at you.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mrs. Celeste Warner
St. Francis County Akhievement Committee
1027 End Street
Forrest City, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Warner:

I am very sorry I was not in on the day you called. I did try reaching you after I returned to the office, but was unable to do so. Do let me hear from you whenever you have a chance.

Best wishes to all your workers.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mrs. Jerrilyn Larkin
Route 2, Box 115
Troy Alabama

Dear Jerri:

Your letter came while I was on vacation. It was certainly good to hear from you again.

As you probably know, all of my information about the Area 23 CAP was obtained in the course of a single visit consisting of a single evening. Since our assignment was for training, we did not get into a discussion of the various programs operated by the agency. Going back over my notes however, I find mention of an emergency loan program, a rural resources program and a summer headstart which served 1,000 children last summer.

Mr. DeRamus (and I am not sure of that spelling) was represented to me as being a very capable assistant. If you are unable to get in touch with him, you might try Mrs. Johnnie Mae Warren, who was present at the meeting when we were there last March.

All this is a little vague and I hope it helps you in some way. I hope all is going well there for an "old, experienced teacher" and it was a real pleasure to hear from you. Try to get to Atlanta sometime soon and drop by to see us.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mrs. Barbara Ippolito
Columbia High School
Columbia Road
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Ippolito:

Enclosed is a copy of "Know Your Georgia Government." I have nothing in print about the fall elections, but I am enclosing recent registration figures to show Georgia's position in this field. If we can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

September 12, 1968

Miss Marian Tilden
Assistant Production Editor
Charles E. Merrill Books, Inc.
1300 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus 16, Ohio

Dear Miss Tilden:

All of our efforts to obtain a sample copy of the Georgia ballot have met without success. We have been unable to secure a copy either from the State Secretary of State's office or from election supervisors in the counties immediately adjacent to Atlanta. We are told that state law prevents the publication of Georgia ballots except in newspapers. I suggest that you write directly to the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia Mr. Ben W. Fortson, 214 State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. I am sorry we were unable to obtain the ballot for you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mr. Merwin C. Phelps
Librarian
Legislative Reference Service
The Library of Congress
Washington, D. C. 20540

Dear Mr. Phelps:

Evidently your request for two copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" was misplaced here. I am happy to enclose two copies without charge.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

September 12, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Claude Brown, author of the best-selling Manchild In the Promised Land and Bill Adler Books Inc. are collaborating to produce a research book titled Ghetto Diary. Ghetto Diary will be a collection of diaries written by residents from black ghettos across the nation. These diaries will describe the day-to-day experiences of ghetto life as seen through the eyes of the people who live there. The contributors will represent as complete a cross-section as possible. The only qualification is that they must be between the ages of twelve and 21.

The objective here is to compile a selection of diaries which relate the events of each day in a manner as spontaneous and natural as possible. Each contributor is asked that he record in his diary whatever has happened to him that day: his thoughts on events people his family and community --without any concern for writing style, spelling or grammar. There will be a payment made for any diary selected to appear in the final manuscript.

Perhaps you know of some young people who would be interested in contributing to Ghetto Diary. If you do know of such people or if you have any questions, or would like more information you may write to Katherine Greene, Associate Editor, Bill Adler Books, Inc 75 East 55th Street, New York New York 10022.

Because you are a person with such wide contact in the ghettos of black America I am sure you will be able to suggest some persons who would be interested in such a project. Sorry you are too old to include your diary in this collection from the ghettos but youth is very slippery these days.

Dr. Jewel Prestage
September 12, 1968

Thank you very much.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

September 12 1968

Miss Shelby Lewis
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Shelby:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12 1968

Mr. William H Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P O Box 734
Plaquemine Louisiana

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Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to the North Carolina, South Carolina and Louisiana state voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

September 12, 1968

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Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
336½ East Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

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Thank you very much.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

September 12, 1968

Mr. John R. Taylor
John R. Taylor Company, Inc.
2410 E. Bessemer Avenue
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear John:

Very regrettably Raymond's recommendation for the Nominating Committee arrived after it had met.

However, I shall certainly see that next year's Nominating Committee sees his recommendation and your biographical data.

It would have been a real pleasure having you as one of my bosses, and I still look forward to that possibility.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler

September 12, 1968

Dr. A. D. Beittel
President
Jackson Area Council on Human
Relations
302 First Federal Savings & Loan Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Dan:

The requested materials have been sent. Also, under separate cover, we are sending you the publications we have on housing. Most of these are in very short supply at the moment.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mr. Hal Thurman
Blue Lake Block Company
P. O. Box 16
Hopkinsville, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Thurman:

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested pamphlets. There is no charge. In fact, please let us know if we can be of any further assistance in your commendable efforts.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

The Rev. Caxton Doggett
Platt at Cedar and Magnolia Avenue
P. O. Box 1247
Tampa, Florida 33601

Dear Caxton:

Regrettably, your letter arrived one day late for the Nominating Committee. However, I shall certainly see that the suggestion of Mr. Christiansen is on the last for next year's Nominating Committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail special delivery

September 12, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78757

Dear Ed:

I will arrive in New York very early on the morning of the 18th, and have written for reservations at the Roosevelt Hotel. I will also be in New York on the 19th, so undoubtedly we can spend some time together.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Your letter arrived too late for the Nominating Committee to receive your suggestion of Mr. Tindall. I shall, however, see that it is given serious consideration next year.

I certainly agree with you on having Mr. Tindall on the Council.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

I will raise with Viking the matters you have raised with me.

Responding to your earlier letter about David Scull, the Nominating Committee was given the petition requesting Dave's election which you and others signed last year. The Committee gave the petition very careful consideration. They declined on one basis only. The racial balance on the Executive Committee was nine whites and six Negroes. To further complicate matters Al Dent was being dropped. Because of this the Nominating Committee felt that another Negro must be nominated. As soon as this racial imbalance is corrected I am certain Dave's name will again come under consideration.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mrs. Sonya F. Kaufer
Director of Publications
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sonya:

I have, today, asked our editor to make a final check with Reese Cleghorn and thereafter to get the manuscript to the printer.

Glad to know the vacation was a good one.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mr. Heslip Lee
3326 Friar Tuck Road
Raleigh, North Carolina 27610

Dear Happy:

I will be more than pleased to spread the word on your new doings. I assume you have already informed the state Councils of this.

Good luck!

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 12, 1968

Mr. Burt Schorr
The Wall Street Journal
Washington, D. C.

Dear Burt:

Thanks for sharing with me that priceless editorial. We shall see that it survives.

While it will likely not be until after October before I get to Washington, since even the likes of me now get to serve on the Grand Jury in Fulton County, I shall certainly call you and hope to visit with you when next I am there.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 13, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mrs. M. E. Tilly

FROM: Emory F. Via

Paul Swaity, National Organizing Director, or Scott Hayman, Regional Director, of the Textile Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, will speak to the Fellowship of the Concerned Conference on October 23, 1968.

I told Swaity 20-30 minutes, in the morning, but to try to stay for the afternoon discussion.

EFV/km

September 13, 1968

Mrs. Robert Kelly
Chairman
Christian Social Relations
Mississippi Conference W. S. C. S.
Raleigh, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Kelly:

We hope that you can be with us for the annual workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

I'm sorry to say, our budget does not allow for any travel expenses, but we do pay for your meals and hotel while in Atlanta--which includes the night of the 22nd, if you need to come a day early.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Ruth P. Howard
Secretary to Mrs. Tilly

rph

September 14, 1968

Miss Lou Casten
Parish Secretary
Trinity Lutheran Church
2200 Broadway at Pine
Boulder, Colorado 80302

Dear Miss Casten:

Thank you so much for your check of $72.10, and for the motives underlying the way it was obtained.

We are forwarding these funds and a copy of your letter to the Mississippi Council on Human Relations, which has accepted the responsibility of seeing that funds such as these are used as you requested.

If you have not received our publications relative to the plight of hungry children, we

would be more than happy to share them with you.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)
cc: Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

September 13 1968

Director
U. S. Civil Service Commission
Washington, D. C

Dear Sir:

Please send me your latest quarterly state-by-state and county by-county report on registration by federal registrars.

Sincerely

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 13, 1968

Dr. Edwin H. Mitchell
Chairman
Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project
1805-B Jefferson Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37208

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. C complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 13, 1968

Mr. G. W. C. Brown
Executive Secretary
The Tidewater Area Council for
Community Improvement
Virginia State College
Norfolk Division
Norfolk, Virginia 23504

Dear Mr. Brown:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 13, 1968

Mr. Calvin Montgomery Miller
Director
VOTE
Box 307
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia 23803

Dear Mr. Miller:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 13, 1968

Mr. Sherrill Marcus
Regional Youth Director
NAACP
Room 107
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Marcus:

Under separate cover we are sending 75 copies of "Know Your Rights." If we can be of further assistance please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 13, 1968

Mr. Dan Sweat
Director of Government Liaison
Mayor's Office
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sweat:

Enclosed is the August issue of the V.E.P. News, which includes an article about Voter Education Project summer intern Eugene McLemore.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 13, 1968

The Reverend J. C. Williams
President
Anderson County
Human Relations Council
604 E. Hampton
Anderson, South Carolina 29621

Dear Mr. Williams:

Per your request by telephone today, enclosed herewith please find correspondence between this office and Mr. W. P. Flack, in behalf of the Anderson County Human Relations Council.

If you have any further questions, please let us know

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

M I N U T E S

of the

Executive Committee Meeting
September 14, 1968

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 14, 1968 in the SRC Conference Room.

Those present: Mr. Paul Christopher, Mr. James Dabbs, Dr. C. G. Gomillion, Dr. Vivian Henderson, Dr. Lucius Pitts, Mr. Frank Smith, Mr. McNeill Smith, Dr. Raymond Wheeler, presiding, Dr. H. Franklin Williams, and Mr. Marion A. Wright. Dr. John Griffin, on special invitation to report on the work of the Program Committee, was also present.

Professional staff present: Robert Anderson, Paul Anthony, Mrs. Glenda Bartley, Vernon Jordan, Moreland Smith, Emory Via, Mrs. Ruth H. Vick, Pat Watters, James Wood, with Mrs. Mildred Johnson serving as recording secretary.

The minutes of the April 6, 1968 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved and adopted, and the Resolution on Tax Exemption was circulated and signed by all members present.

Report on HRC-SRC Special Committee Recommendations.

Mr. Frank Smith, who served as chairman of the Special Committee, requested the Executive Director to give the full report of that Committee.

Mr. Anthony reported that the function of the Special Committee was to review each state Council to determine the viability or non-viability of each.

The criteria used for making these determinations were:

1. the need of the organization in a particular locale;

2. the strength of the policy board;

3. the strength and effectiveness of program;

4. the capability of staff;

5. financial strength.

Based on these criteria, the following state councils were determined to be "viable," and, therefore, eligible for project support in 1969: Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee.

The remaining five state councils were reviewed and recommendations regarding their viability were made based on the following circumstances:

Virginia. -- Virginia's policy board has voted to retrench staff to a one-man operation and to concentrate on assisting programs of value being conducted by other agencies in the area. Some thought has been given to changing the name of the Council to fit the diescription of a new action-type agency which would, in effect, change the image of the operation. Therefore, the recommendation of the Special Committee is to give Virginia the options of choosing either to remain a human relations Council with operations that can be viewed as viable or instituting whatever changes it so desires. The Committee requested, however, that if the Virginia Council chooses not to remain a human relations operation that SRC staff provide any technical assistance it can to it, but funds that would otherwise be provided Virginia be made available to other "viable" councils.

North Carolina. -- The Special Committee declared the North Carolina Council non-viable on the basis that the need in North Carolina is not as great as in other states since there are in evidence several programs in the state which encompass the interests of the NCCHR. Further, the Committee noted that the North Carolina operation is not a policy-directed group; that all programs are determined on the basis of the interests of the Executive Director.

Florida. -- The Executive Director of the Florida Council is considering leaving to accept a position with another agency. The President and Executive Director are in consultation with the policy body to determine what direction the Council should take. The Special Committee recommends, therefore, that the Council be allowed, based on its own self examination, to determine whether it is in fact a viable group should it continue to operate.

Alabama. -- Essentially, the Special Committee recommends the same for Alabama as for Florida. It was the feeling of the Committee that Alabama is a viable organization, but the staff and policy leadership should be allowed to decide the future of the organization.

Louisiana. -- Three (3) state directors of the Special Committee were asked by the Committee to visit Louisiana to examine program, to talk with staff and members of the newly revised board. On the basis of this visitation a determination would be made as to whether continued support would be forthcoming for Louisiana. A visit was made by two of the three directors (Dean and Coleman) and the decision was reached that since there is almost no other activity of this nature in the state the Louisiana effort needs to be continued.

The Special Committee agreed that Louisiana would be considered viable on two conditions:

1. That the 1969 budget and other financial information be submitted to SRC, whose staff would determine priorities of expenditures;

2. That SRC be responsible for offering regular technical assistance during the coming year, particularly in administrative matters.

Having heard the report of the special SRC-HRC Committee, and entertaining a brief discussion of the North Carolina situation, the Executive Committee unanimously approved and adopted the report with all of its recommendations unchanged.

Discussion of Work of Program Committee.

Dr. John Griffin, Chairman, reported that this committee has been meeting since early June talking about the 1968 Annual Meeting. He pointed out that the Committee attempted to look beyond the annual meeting and discussed ways in which SRC members might be more effectively involved in the affairs of the Council.

The main emphasis at prior annual meetings has traditionally been that of reporting to the membership activities and programs, with members having little or no opportunity to exchange ideas and/or express opinions. This procedure, it was pointed out, has not provided the kind of dialogue that is desired. Therefore, the Program Committee proposes the following for the 1968 Annual Meeting:

1. That the reporting process be kept to a minimum by circulating certain prepared documents, designed to report and to spur participation, to the membership prior to the meeting;

2. That the general membership during the meeting be divided into discussion groups where various subject areas will be talked about;

3. That toward the end of the meeting a plenary session be held where members would have an opportunity for feedback and discussion -- providing the dialogue and exchange of ideas which the staff seeks.

In relation to Item #1, it was suggested that among the materials to be included in the packet for members, should be statements prepared by Guy Johnson, Harold Fleming,

and Leslie Dunbar, former directors of the Council. It was further suggested that a summary of what the Council now is in terms of program, staff, etc., also be included.

Dr. Griffin pointed out that interest areas developed this year could be the basis for continued board involvement and participation during the year.

Following the Program Committee's report, the Executive Committee discussed briefly the pros and cons of the report, emphasizing that if the departures prove unfeasible a different format could be instituted. The Executive Committee, therefore, unanimously approved and adopted the report of the Program Committee, with instructions to the staff and Program Committee to implement the new changes.

Dr. Gomillion pointed out that following this report and the implementation of program changes for this year's Annual Meeting, the Program Committee is not to assume that it has been discharged. The Executive Committee concurred in this sentiment.

At this point in the meeting Dr. Emory Via was welcomed back to Atlanta and to SRC by both the Executive Director and the Executive Committee.

Report on New VEP Programs.

Mr. Jordan reported that the Voter Education Project hopes to continue work in the areas of current concern, but hopes to expand its services during the coming year.

In terms of voter registration VEP plans to continue making grants with the following formulas being instituted:

1. Grants will only be made to those areas where the black voting age population is under 50%;

2. Grants will be made in metropolitan areas only on a matching basis; (the rationale for this is that it is conceivable that agencies in

urban areas are more likely to be able to raise funds from local sources.)

3. Matching requirements will not be applied in those areas where re-registration is required.

Student Internship Program. -- VEP plans to expand the student internship program, which employed some 25 students during the summer of 1968, to work in government agencies in addition to working in offices of elected officials.

Citizenship Education and Leadership Training. -- It was pointed out that VEP is not in a position to carry on citizenship education and leadership training on a mass basis, so the Project will continue its present efforts with civic organizations in cities and counties where programs are already underway.

In terms of new program for VEP, Mr. Jordan described VEP's main concern during 1969 to be: "assistance to elected officials in performing official duties through university and college centers." Plans are underway with Tougaloo, Talladega, and Clark Colleges and with Southern University to set up service centers where combined services of the colleges and the VEP will be offered to elected officials. The centers will be set up by the colleges and university through special grants from the VEP and housed on the campuses.

The centers will also provide an opportunity for college professors, who have interests in research, to receive small stipends for research purposes.

Mr. Jordan described in some detail the negotiations which have, up to this point, taken place at the colleges mentioned above.

It was further reported that on December 11-14, 1968 the VEP plans to bring together approximately 275 elected officials in Atlanta for a four-day conference where the Project will share with them research materials designed to instruct elected officials in performing their official duties. The conference will also provide opportunities to discuss problems confronting these officials.

Realizing that the matter of tax exemption is an equation in instituting these new programs, the VEP consulted with its tax lawyer, Mr. Adrian DeWind, in New York, who has assured the Council in a letter dated August 14, 1968 that these new undertakings are clearly within the stipulations of the Internal Revenue Code, and would in no way interfere with the tax exempt status of the Council (see Attachment 1.)

During the discussion which followed Mr. Jordan's report, the Committee continued to be concerned about making the services to elected officials available both to whites and non-whites alike. The Committee, in fact, urged the staff to see that this is done.

Development of Land Programs.

Mr. Wood reviewed for the Committee SRC's joint participation in meetings, called by the National Sharecroppers Fund, to explore the possibilities of developing a Land-Acquisition-Trust Program. It was reported that the basic purpose of such a program would be to develop communities whereby rural black people would be provided land either through the leasehold or ownership methods. He reported that the question of leasing land only versus leasing with the option to buy has now become an issue in the discussions of the participating groups, with the N.S.F. taking a firm position not to include in the terms of agreement the option for ownership. It was Mr. Wood's strong feeling that SRC should not go on record as supporting the exclusion of the option to buy, stating that to do so would, in his opinion, take away the rights of rural, black people to determine and control their own destinies.

Since the group is at the point of drawing up a prospectus for the purpose of fund-raising, Mr. Wood asked the Executive Committee to make a policy decision as to whether SRC should continue to be a participating agency if the exclusion of the option prevails.

The Committee discussed the matter at length, concluding that SRC cannot at this time be a participant in any program limited exclusively to the land-trust idea.

Recommendations for Life Fellows.

Mr. Anthony reported that, with the endorsement of the Nominating Committee, he wished to recommend seven persons for life fellowships this year; these persons, he reported, are current members of the Council.

The several reasons behind departing from the traditional method of selecting life fellows are as follows:

1. There is tremendous pressure to bring a better racial balance into the organization (we currently have 38 Negroes and 62 whites);

2. There is pressure to bring more women into the organization;

3. There is pressure to begin adding to the ranks of the Council some of the newer, younger leadership while there is yet an opportunity for such persons to learn from the experience of the older leadership.

It was the feeling of this year's Nominating Committee that in awarding life fellowships it would be better to draw from the current members who have long records of involvement and who have made outstanding contributions to SRC to effectuate the above changes in the membership.

The members recommended for life fellowships are as follows:

1. Dr. Harry V. Richardson, Georgia
2. Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, Georgia
3. Mr. Herbert M. Davidson, Florida
4. Mrs. Eugenia Rayzor, Texas
5. Dr. C. H. Parrish, Kentucky
6. Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg, Kentucky
7. Mrs. J. Fount Tillman, Tennessee

Mr. Anthony reported further that the Nominating Committee had decided to drop Mr. Irving Carlyle of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and recommended to the Committee that at a later time Mr. Carlyle also be made a life fellow.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved and adopted Mr. Anthony's report with his recommendation regarding Mr. Carlyle.

Dr. Vivian Henderson raised the question of what is being done by the staff to cultivate some of the newer, young white leadership in the area. It was the consensus of the Director and the Executive Committee that steps ought to be taken in this direction. In this regard, Mr. Wright suggested the name of Mr. Lambert Thomas of North Carolina.

Fund-Raising.

Ford Foundation. -- Mr. Anthony reported on continued efforts with Ford regarding renewed support after this year. He suggested that one of three alternatives may be taken by Ford in acting on the Council's proposal: (1) the proposal will not be approved; (2) the proposal will be approved in part; (3) the proposal will be approved as submitted, with strict qualifications set by the Foundation as to how the money is to be expended.

Mr. Anthony stated that if the latter alternative is the rule, it is his feeling that some policy decisions would necessarily have to be made by the Executive Committee, and indicated that an emergency meeting of the Committee would probably be called. He urged the members to make every effort to be present should that be the case.

Rockefeller Brothers Fund. -- It was reported that SRC currently has a proposal before the Rockefeller Brothers Fund for $25,000 for 1969. However, the Fund has invited the staff to submit a second proposal for increased support in 1969.

Other Business.

Mr. Anthony reported briefly on a proposal submitted to him by Mrs. Martha Ragland outlining a southwide program for women, to be conducted under the auspices of SRC.

The Committee discussed the proposal and concluded that until SRC's financial picture is clearer, that that proposal be held for future discussion and/or implementation.

Annual Meeting. -- It was reported that the staff has approached all of the speakers which the Committee suggested in an earlier meeting and declinations have come from all. In light of the Program Committee's proposed new approach to the Annual Meeting no further approaches have been made.

In terms of the dates of the meeting, Mr. Anthony reported that Mr. Wheeler had reminded him that the dates November 13 - 15 conflict with the Atlanta University Board of Trustees meeting which falls on those or part of those dates. Mr. Wheeler had asked that the Committee re-think the dates with the idea of possibly changing them. Mr. Anthony reported, however, that Mr. Wheeler is agreeable to delivering the keynote address on the first evening of the meeting if the staff and the Committee choose not to invite an outside speaker.

The Committee discussed this matter and concluded that if the meeting is held the day after the general election Board attendance would be seriously affected. Further, if the dates were changed to the week following, the matter of securing hotel space would become a problem. Therefore, the Committee passed the following motion: "That the dates of the Annual Meeting not be changed, and that Mr. Wheeler be asked to give the keynote address on the first evening of the meeting."

Date of Next Executive Committee Meeting. -- Dr. Wheeler reminded the members that the next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for the morning of November 13, just prior to the Annual Meeting, and asked that members arrive early enough to attend.

Further, Dr. Wheeler suggested that the first meeting of the new year should be a longer meeting than usual, so that in-depth discussion of program might be had.

With no other business, the general meeting adjourned and the Committee went into Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

During the Executive Session the Committee heard a proposal from the Personnel Committee that there be some changes made in the Research and Information Departments. It was recommended that the Director of Research be the senior person in this department; that two co-equal positions be created under the supervision of the Director of Information. These positions are "Editor, SRC Publications," and "Director of Research." As Editor, it was recommended that Robert E. Anderson, Jr. be appointed. As Director of Research it was recommended that Mrs. Glenda Bartley be appointed. It was further recommended that Warren Pritchard be appointed Editorial Assistant. These recommendations were unanimously approved by the full Committee.

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September 16, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

The Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th, and heard a report of the recommendations of the special SRC-HRC Directors' Committee. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations as submitted in' every instance.

It was agreed that the Tennessee Council is viable. This means, of course, that you may submit a proposal for project support. The moment I hear from Ford I will let the directors of the state Councils know what funds are available and offer any other guidance I can on the amounts available and

how we should consider dividing them. And, of course, I will be very happy to talk with you about this beforehand.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 16, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

The Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th, and heard a report of the recommendations of the special SRC-HRC Directors' Committee. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations as submitted in every instance.

It was agreed that the Georgia Council is viable. This means, of course, that you may submit a proposal for project support. The moment I hear from Ford, I will let the directors of the state Councils know what funds are available and offer any other guidance I can on the amounts available and

how we should consider dividing them. And, of course, I will be very happy to talk with you about this beforehand.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 16, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

Dear Martha:

The Executive Committee discussed with interest, on Saturday, your proposal. It agreed, however, that the proposal should be given more serious consideration after we hear the deliberations of the full Council in November, particularly after the members have indicated what they feel SRC's role should be and what they see as priorities.

Since we remain uncertain about our Ford proposal, the Committee also agreed that the ideas put forth in your proposal could be considered more effectively after we have a better indication of our future finances.

You might, incidentally, want to discuss this at some length with some of the members

of the Executive Committee in November.

It occurs to me that this letter will be in the big stack of mail awaiting your return.

Welcome home!

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 16, 1968

Mr. J. Bill Becker
President
Arkansas State AFL-CIO
1408 Rebsamen Park Road
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses. Thanks, again, for giving us this time.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $87.55)

September 16, 1968

The Rev. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human
Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Any idea how you can help this lady?

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

September 16, 1968

AIR MAIL

Kellow-Brown Company
428 Boyd Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sirs:

Mr. Conrad Hilton has informed us that you have the color plates, with his permission to use them, for reprints of AMERICA ON ITS KNEES. We need 200 copies for a meeting that we are holding October 23-24. Will it be possible for you to deliver that number of reprints to us by October 18? Please confirm.

Please bill us, or, if you require prepayment, let us know the cost.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly
Southern Regional Council
Director
Woman's Work

MET/rh

September 16, 1968

Mr. Theodore Solotaroff
Editor
NEW AMERICAN REVIEW
1301 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ted:

You've done a masterful job, indeed an amazing one. A few passages of poetry have been lost, but overall the thing is greatly improved. Thank you.

I hope I've taken care satisfactorily of the necessary fixing from this end. Where inserts were indicated, I clipped them to the page and marked where they should go.

Let me know.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters, Director
Information

PW/km

Enc.

September 16, 1968

The Reverend Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

The Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th, and heard a report of the recommendations of the special SRC-HRC Directors Committee. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations as submitted in every instance.

It was agreed that the South Carolina Council is viable. This means, of course, that you may submit a proposal for project support. The moment I hear from Ford, I will let the directors of the state Councils know what funds are available and offer any other guidance I can on the amounts available and how we should

consider dividing it. And, of course, I will be very happy to talk with you about this beforehand.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 16, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

The Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th, and heard a report of the recommendations of the special SRC-HRC Directors' Committee. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations as submitted in every instance.

It was agreed that the Mississippi Council is viable. This means, of course, that you may submit a proposal for project support. The moment I hear from Ford I will let the directors of the state Councils know what funds are available and offer any other guidance I can on the amounts available and

how we should consider dividing them. And, of course, I will be very happy to talk with you about this beforehand.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 16, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

The Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th, and heard a report of the recommendations of the special SRC-HRC Directors' Committee. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations as submitted in every instance.

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj/

P.S. -- After we know about what funds are available, I would find it very helpful if you, Joe, and I could get together.

cc: Mr. Joseph A. Gannon, Pres.
Alabama Council

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

September 16, 1968

Mr. Anthony Goodman
42 Netherby Road
Forest Hill
London, S.E.23

Dear Mr. Goodman:

I have enclosed a list of state councils with the names and addresses of each council and its executive director as you requested.The state councils are private groups originally initiated and fostered by the Southern Regional Council, not official state agencies.

I contacted several sources but was unable to locate a list of the addresses of the State Advisory Committees to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in the ten southern states you mentioned. I suggest you write to Mr. Clarence Hunter, Information Officer, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 801 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20425.

Under separate cover, I am sending you the winter and spring issues of New South and all 1968 Voter Education Project newsletters.I have notified our publications department to place you on our mailing list for these publications and you will be billed accordingly.

I am also mailing under separate cover a pamphlet which briefly describes the functions of the Southern Regional Council as you requested. We do not have a formal statement describing the duties of the Advisory Committee to the Voter Education Project. I have included an agenda of the committee's last meeting and a press release on the Voter Education Project which I hope will be of some help.Since you seemed particularly interested in the V.E.P. I included a pamphlet entitled "How To Conduct A Voter Registration Campaign" as well as a publications

list with other materials available through S.R.C.

The efforts of the Council are primarily confined to the eleven southern states but we are always interested in learning more about the efforts of other human relations groups. If your plans will permit you, we would be happy to have you visit our office and talk with our staff while you are in this area.

I hope that the materials we are sending you will prove of some value in your research. Please call on us if we may be of any further help.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

Susan Morgan
Research Department

September 16, 1968

Mr. Felton J. Capel
1009 West New Hampshire Avenue
Southern Pines, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Capel:

In completing the editing of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates, we are trying to obtain some action photographs of the interviewed candidates campaigning--or in the cases where they were elected, at work in their officialspositions. Could you provide us with a picture of yourself taken either during your campaign or perhaps at a city council meeting? We would like to have it as soon asppossible in order to complete work on the book.

The Voter Education Project will pay for any expense you incur. Send the bill directly to Mr. Marvin Wall, director of research of the Voter Education Project.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

VEP 68-164
Vernon

September 16, 1968

Mr. B.J. Battle
Treasurer, Greensboro NAACP
1010 Bellevue Avenue
Greensboro North Carolina

Dear Mr. Battle:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greensboro Branch NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Guilford County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,990.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 16 to November 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
(11) Task Force Workers	@ $10.00 per week	880.00
Transportation		320.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
Advertisements		100.00
Rental for Voting Machines		200.00
Office Supplies		150.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an

ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The VEP will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program.

A copy of the deposit slip will be mailed to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly reports. The VEP will audit these reports and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered; b) method used in getting persons to the registration office; c) increase in number of new voters in the one week period; d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens; e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any; f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidates. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write to you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw
Enclosure
cc: W.C. Patton, John Edwards

September 16, 1968

Mr. Michael Lottman
The Southern Courier
1012 Frank Leu Building
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear Mike,

Thanks a lot for the photographs and information on the Alabama elections. Black Star wants $35 for the picture of Julian, which has dampened our enthusiasm for it. I don't know whether we will use it or not.

Let us know if we can help you.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

September 16, 1968

Mrs. Taunya Banks
2361 Montebello Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39213

Dear Mrs. Banks:

I amiinterested in writing an article on your work with Mississippi elected officials for the upcoming issue of the V.E.P. News. I would appreciate it if you could send me a report on your duties--assistance you have given so far, problems encountered, future plans for the program, your impressions of the job--from which I can derive a story which will give our readers an idea what you are doing for the Voter Education Project and Mississippi's Negro officeholders.

We would also like a photograph of yourself at work, possibly talking with an officeholder. You may have the photographer send the bill directly to Mr. Marvin Wall, director of research of the Voter Education Project.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call me at (404) 522-7495. We should have the information before September 30 in order to meet the deadline.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 16, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Coleman:

In completing the editing of the manuscript of Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates, we are trying to obtain some action photographs of candidates campaigning--shaking hands with voters, making a speech, etc. If you could provide us with such a photograph of yourself--possibly attainable from one of the local newspapers--we would appreciate it. As we hope that the book will go to press soon, we need the picture as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

VEP 68-163

September 16, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
Mississippi State Conference
Emergency Voter Registration Program
1072 Lynch Street
Room 7
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Evers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Mississippi State Conference NAACP for a grant to conduct an "Emergency Voter Registration Program in 32 counties in Mississippi, where Federal Examiners have been assigned pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $5,000.00 for the period prescribed.

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week perios, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, indicating the amount deposited to your account, and b) weekly report forms.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

September 17, 1968

Mr. James H. Hearn
Chief, Training and Technical
Assistance Branch, OEO
Community Action Program
911 Walnut Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the article in the May 30 issue of the Reporter magazine. I agree, it does give a good account of your experiences in the early days of the War on Poverty.

I regret I was unable to make the NACD Conference. I had looked forward to participating and seeing you after so long a time. Hopefully, our paths will cross soon.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 17, 1968

Mrs. Martin L. King, Jr.
234 Sunset, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Precious, Mrs. King:

You have had a notice of the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned October 23-24. We know how busy you are, but it would be great if you find you could be with us.

We really want you and your children at the evening session. Our hearts long to tell you how much we love and admire you - and we want to pledge to you and the children we will always be interested in them.

Please let us hear from you. The phone number is 522-8764.

Lovingly,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

VEP68-165

September 17, 1968

Mr. R. C. Jones
President
Westside Improvement League
522 Parson Street
West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Westside Improvement League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in West Columbia, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from September 20 to November 15, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		250.00
Printing and Postage		30.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: James Felder

September 17, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
1221 N. W. 43rd Street
Miami, Florida 33142

Dear Augie:

Our Executive Committee met on Saturday, September 14th and heard the recommendations of the special state Directors' Committee and, accordingly, voted to leave the matter of viability up to the Florida Council, feeling you and the policy leadership have sound judgment and are in the best position to determine your future.

I understand you are having a meeting on Saturday. Do let me know at the earliest opportunity what decisions are made. In turn, as soon as I know what funds will be available for support to state Councils in 1969, I will inform the Florida Council.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. H. Banks

September 17, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street, Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Our Executive Committee met on Saturday, September 14th and heard the recommendations of the special state Council committee. The Executive Committee agreed to the proposal from that special committee, namely: that the Virginia Council is viable if it so chooses and if it chooses to remain in human relations work.

Do let me know of what decisions are made as soon as you can.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 17, 1968

Mr. Paul Good
12 Pennoyer Street
Rowayton, Connecticut 06853

Dear Paul:

Your book arrived here today. It looks good; the cover is dignified, decent, the title is excellent. We are all proud of it, the part we had in it.

I am sending the attached to a Mr. Thomas at Putnam's who called about promotion.

I hope this book gets the attention it deserves, and has the effect on this messed up country of ours that it ought to have. It's a beautiful job, Paul -- as I've said before. Congratulations.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl.

September 17, 1968

Dear Reese:

Here is the manuscript. When you have made whatever changes you wish, let us have it back and we'll get it set in galleys.

Yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
The Atlanta Journal
P. O. Box 4689
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Encl: <u>The South and White-Collar Radicalism of The Right</u>

September 17, 1968

Mr. William Thomas
G. P. Putnam's Sons
200 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. Thomas:

We received the copy of Paul Good's book today. It looks good.

Here is my suggestion for handling a mailing. We would mail out your press release to the 4,500 people on our mailing lists (including press) with a covering note something like this:

> We think you will be interested in the attached announcement that the content of the winter, 1968, NEW SOUTH, is appearing, in slightly different form, as one of this fall's important new books.

If that sounds satisfactory to you, we would like to have 4,500 copies of the press release. We will do the mailing from here.

Also, if you would want to send us 50 copies of the book on consignment, we would be happy to display it for sale at our annual meeting. The meeting will be November 13-15.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:jm
cc: Mr. Paul Good

September 17, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Apt. 103
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

I have just seen a copy of your new book. Congratulations. It looks good, and I know the quality of what it says. I hope it gets the recognition it deserves; it will surely have an influence on these perilous times, as well as on the writing of history in the future.

I am looking forward to seeing you and Mrs. Muse at the annual meeting.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

September 17, 1968

Mr. David Nolan
THE NEW SOUTH STUDENT
Box 6403
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Mr. Nolan:

Your letter to me has laid on my desk "haunting" me for over a month. I am so over worked now I see no way I could produce any article.

I do have this to suggest to you -- What you called a "Movement" maybe the annual workshop of "The Fellowship of the Concerned," which will have its Silver Anniversary here in Atlanta October 23-24 at the Atlantan Hotel. Why not come to this workshop and see for yourself. We do not pay travel expenses but we do pay the hotel bill and meals.

The first session begins at 9:30 on the 23rd.

Please let us know if you can accept this invitation.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

September 17, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
1st Federal Savings & Loan Building
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Our Executive Committee met on Saturday, September 14, and heard the report of the special state Directors' Committee and approved the recommendations made by the directors following their visit last Friday. It was agreed to continue support to the Louisiana Council in 1969 subject to SRC having, in advance, the budget of the Louisiana Council for 1969. Further support is subject, also, to SRC's making every effort to offer Louisiana as much technical assistance, especially in administrative matters, as is possible.

As soon as we know what funds will be available for state council grants, I will let you know and offer such other guidance as I can

of the amount available for Louisiana. At that time perhaps you, Jim, and I could have a three-way telephone conversation.

Warm regards to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 17, 1968

Mrs. Gayle Standridge
1121 Roselawn Drive
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear Mrs. Standridge:

Enclosed is the material you requested. You will note that it is somewhat outdated, but the fact of the situation described remains essentially the same.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.
"Racial Discrimination in the Southern Federal Courts" April, 1965

"Southern Justice: An Indictment" October, 1965

Same letter also sent to:

Ray Jenkins
William Shelton
Wilson F. Minor
Jack Bass
Greg Olds
William Lynch

September 17, 1968

Mr. Dwayne Walls
Charlotte Observer
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Walls:

A reminder for the next NEW SOUTH roundups -- the deadline is October 1.

Can we have yours by then?

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA, Jr/js

September 17, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

Thank you for your comments on the march piece. I think it's a breakthrough. I never have written as close to myself before.

I left the thing with Ted Solotaroff at New American, and he is going to use it as the lead piece in their magazine -- which is a sort of paperback book thing put out quarterly. I got the edited manuscript back yesterday and he has done a lot of whacking in it (including the section about all those movie ladies which elicited all that impressive expertise from you). I think -- I hope he hasn't done any real damage, has maybe improved it. Anyhow, that's where it's at. I appreciate the points you made and did appropriate corrections.

Meanwhile, we are still hasseling with the same crowd about the photograph book. I think eventually we'll get what we want.

Paul Gadd's book arrived here today. It looks good, and gives SRC full credit. I hope it gets some decent attention -- for the sake of old Paul as well as the content.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PWLjs

September 17, 1968

Mr. Theodore Solotaroff
Editor
The New American Review
1301 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ted:

You've done a masterful job, indeed an amazing one. I have quibbled with some fine points, but overall the thing is improved. Thank you.

I hope I've taken care satisfactorily of the necessary fixings. Where inserts were indicated, I clipped them on to the appropriate page and marked where each should go.

Let me know.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl.

FOR VEP

September 17, 1968

Walter J. Johnson, Inc.
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10003

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the June, 1963, and March, 1963, back issues of The American Political Science Review (Vol. 57 #1-2).

Our check for $3.75 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $3.75 check.

September 17, 1968

Mr. James Stokeley
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee 37821

Dear Mr.Stokeley:

Thought you would like to have back the enclosed.

Come to see us.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl.

September 17, 1968

Mr. Robert McCan
President
Dag Hammarskjold College
2025 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. McCan:

Thank you for sharing the information about Dag Hammarskjold College with me. I am certainly interested, and would like to know more about your work.

It looks as if it will be several months before I get to Washington, but I shall certainly attempt to see you when I do. In the meantime, if you have any opportunity to be in this area, I hope you will plan to visit us.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 17, 1968

Mr.Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

As you know, the Executive Committee of SRC met on Saturday, September 14th and heard the recommendations of the special state Directors' Committee and accepted their recommendation that for 1969 North Carolina not be eligible for support. Frankly, I think the Executive Committee was somewhat disappointed that you had not filed further information with it, and it remains available to consider any information you might wish to submit to it. Otherwise, I continue to be available to be of any possible assistance to you and the North Carolina Council that I can.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Moses Burt

September 18, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936 College Station
Berea College
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Jim:

It was good talking to you. Here's the picture; please return it.

I sure hope you do get by here while you're in Georgia.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

5x7 photo of Les Dunbar.

September 18, 1968

Mr. George Kelley
Richmond Correspondent
Norfolk Virginian Pilot
Hotel Richmond West
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Kelley:

The deadline for the next NEW SOUTH is October 1. May we have your roundup by then?

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 18, 1968

Miss Lois Coplan
Southern Garment Worker
457 Plaster Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Dear Lois:

Thank you for sending the paper. I am impressed. It is a professional looking and reading newspaper.

Come to see us.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

September 18, 1968

Mr. R. C. Jones
President
Westside Improvement League
522 Parson Street
West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Dear Mr. Jones:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports ans send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, Particularly for "number successfully registered" should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 18, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Felder:

In response to your request for funds to continue the services of Emerson Brown as Special Project Coordinator with the SCVEP, please be informed that we are making a supplementary grant in the amount of $1,500, to cover the period from September 1st to December 31st, 1968. Said funds will be deposited to your account forthwith.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Mr. T. Olive

September 18, 1968

Miss Marge Cronin
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Marge:

This is to acknowledge receipt of another box of cigars and to say thanks very, very much. Not only do I have cigars to smoke, but some to offer my friends as they come to visit our new quarters here at SRC.

My regards to Mike, and thanks to him also.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 18, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP & Voter Registration Office
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Room 407
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Please be informed that we will not be funding the proposals submitted by you on September 6, for the following areas: Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, N. C., Hope-Hempstead County, Ark., and Ft. Smith-Sebastian County, Ark. I would hope that these counties can find some funds to be of assistance to them, given the fact that we are not in a position to make these grants at this time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 18, 1968

Mr. Albert W. Thompson
210 Ninth Street
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Al:

Pursuant to your letter of September 6, I am pleased to accept your kind invitation to speak at the annual Men's Day service, First African Baptist Church of Columbus, Georgia, Sunday, November 17, at 11:00 a. m. I accept with the understanding that I will be paid a $100.00 honorarium, plus expenses.

For your use in connection with the program, I am enclosing a copy of my biographical sketch.

Looking forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 18, 1968

Mr. Carlton H. Pecot
President
Louisiana Advancement Association
2005 N. Clairborne Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mr. Pecot:

You are forgiven for taking the liberty of suggesting my name for the American Foundation for Negro Affairs. They have been in touch with me, and I have responded.

Thanks so much for thinking of me.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 18, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for sending all the clippings and the background on the Democratic National Convention. Thanks also for the picture of Mr. Mitchell which we will try to use in the next issue of the newsletter.

I was troubled, however, by the news release sent out over your signature. My concern grew with each page.

It was not that I found fault with anything said in the release. In fact, personally I would not have changed a single word.

What I question is sending out such highly opinionated material in the form of a news release. Generally the purpose of a news release is to convey newsworthy material to newspapers, radio and television in a form convenient for use. What you have written is instead basically a five page essay on the Democratic Convention, Mayor Daley and the Louisiana delegation. Again, while I agree entirely with what you say, a news release simply isn't the proper vehicle for conveying such opinions.

To be sure, in light of our tax exempt status I am not even sure that sweeping denounciations would be proper in a speech or interview. I am sure, however, that they are jarringly out of place in a press release.

Of course there are no laws or rules governing what can or cannot be put into a press release. However, I am certain that your five page release must have left at least some Louisiana editors wondering where to put it and how to treat it.

These remarks are not intended to be critical. They are merely to suggest that press releases be saved for those occasions when you have factual material---so-called "news"---and then the release should be kept as brief as possible. Again many thanks for the clippings and pictures and for your excellent reports. Keep in touch.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 18, 1968

Mr. Dickey Winsett
415½ Caplewood Drive
Tuscaloosa Alabama 35401

Dear Mr. Winsett:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 5 including invoices from Mason Office Machines and Weatherford Office Supplies Inc.

We are returning these invoices to you so that you may include them with your weekly report form. The amounts on the invoices should be written onto the form as well. That is, you should write down all disbursements and also include all invoices received.

Please return your weekly report, properly filled out, as soon as possible so your program will not be delayed.

If you have any further questions or problems about the weekly reporting, please do not hesitate to call or write us.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Zane Wilson
Assistant to Thaddeus Olive

/zw

September 18, 1968

The Reverend John L. Jackson
Executive Director
National Negro Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc.
324 Broadway
Paterson, New Jersey 07501

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Enclosed please find one copy of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

September 18, 1968

Mr. Worthy D. Jones
Community Organizer
United Planning Organization
1507 Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am enclosing some material describing the work of the Southern Regional Council and its Voter Education Project. I hope you find this material useful. As you may know, the director of UPO, Mr. Wiley Branton, is a former director of the Voter Education Project. Please let me know if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

September 18, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

Unfortunately I won't be able to attend your Leadership Training Conference on September 21. However, I look forward to seeing you here on the 28th. I hope your conference goes well and I am sure it will.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 18, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mrs. Vick

FROM: Marvin Wall

Mr. Seeliger now is employed by the Voter Education Project, part-time on an hourly basis. The rate of pay is $2.25 per hour. Mr. Seeliger began work for VEP on September 14, 1968.

Many thanks.

September 18, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
Mississippi State Conference
Emergency Voter Registration Program
1072 Lynch Street
Room 7
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Evers:

A weekly report on the 32 county report form already developed by your organization will be sufficient at this time. When the project is completed, please send us a brief narrative report, describing the achievements of the project and any problems encountered.

Best of luck to you.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

September 19, 1968

Mr. Arthur Clement, Jr.
Director
Admissions and Placement
Voorhees College
Denmark, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Clement:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 27 inquiring about Mr. Vernon Jordan, and to say that Vernon Jordan here is not the one and same you knew at Johnson C. Smith in 1929-30, nor to his knowledge, was he a relative of his.

Enclosed is a copy of our newsletter, which will give you some idea of Mr. Jordan's work here at the ~~Project~~. Council,

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm
Enclosure

September 19, 1968

Mrs. M. D. Norman
629 East Orin Street
Freeport, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Norman:

Mr. Rougeau has asked me to write you to confirm his speaking engagement in Freeport on Sunday, September 29. He will arrive in Chicago on Delta flight #94 on September 29 and connect with Commuter Airlines of Chicago flight # 803, which leaves Chicago at 10:00 a.m. and arrives in Rockford, Illinois at 10:45 a.m.

I am also enclosing a copy of Mr. Rougeau's vita sheet and his photograph.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Margaret Chanin
Secretary to Mr. Rougeau

/mjc
Enclosure

September 19, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 75 copies of "Know Your Rights" to Sherrill Marcus at the NAACP. Label is attached.

Many thanks.

September 20, 1968

Dr. Lawrence S. Bush
General Board of Pensions
The United Methodist Church
1200 Davis Street
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Dr. Bush:

I finally succeeded today in obtaining Miss Gartrell's address:

Miss Mary C. Gartrell
153 Henrietta Street
Baltimore, Maryland

The delay was caused by having to contact several people--each would say she did not know the address but gave me another person's name to call--and so . . .

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

same ltr to presidents of
church women united in southern states

September 20, 1968

Mrs. Herron Lord
4450 Winnow Way Drive
Mobile, Alabama 36608

Dear Mrs. Lord:

We regret that a conflict of dates prevent you from attending the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned, October 23-24.

We are asking you to send some one in your place. Since you may not have our former letter before you we are enclosing a copy to give to your substitute.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, we remain

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

File

September 20, 1968

Memorandum to:
Priscilla Eddy

From:
VEP

We would like to have the complete costs of the following VEP-sponsored meetings. We need these figures because the meetings were joint SRC-VEP affairs and we will need to reimburse the SRC.

Mississippi Candidates Workshop--July 31, 1967

Louisiana Candidates Workshop--Sept., 1967

South Carolina Candidates Workshop--1968

Georgia Candidates Workshop--August, 1968

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

TO

Thad

September 20, 1968

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TO

September 20, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams
Richmond County Voter Education Project
Augusta Branch NAACP
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mrs. Williams:

As we have no further use for them, I am returning the photographs of Mrs. Bussey and Peter Jacobs. I thought perhaps they or their families might like to keep them.

Thank you for your help in obtaining theppictures for us and in providing us with the information about these two very interesting people.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 20, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Mr. Coleman:

In reply to your letter of the 17th, Mr. Anthony has asked that I send on to you the enclosed materials which were shared with us by the National Sharecroppers Fund.

If this is not what you had in mind, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

September 20, 1968

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
President
Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harold:

Just a note to let you know that I learned, on trying to reach him, that Jim Toomey is also in Europe. Therefore, I have done nothing further relative to having any discussion with anyone at Urban America.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

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522-8764

A Council to allow the talents and potentials of Southern people to build a South

September 20, 1968

Mr. Michael Conant
Press Room (308)
Municipal Building
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Conant:

Mr. McGill has referred your letter requesting information on Mr. Edgar Fuller and his Klan activities to our research department. After throughly checking our library and files, I came up with very little material on Mr. Fuller and even less information on Mr. Jonathan Frost.The only reference that I could locate dealing with either man was in William Pierce Randel's The Ku Klux Klan:A Century of Infamy(Chilton Books: Philadelphia and New York, 1965).I have enclosed xerox copies of those pages.

I have also included a xerox copy of a section from Randel's "bibliographical notes". It seems that Mr. Fuller's Klan career was short lived as Randel credits him with one anti-Klan book in 1925 and possibly another in 1924 under the pen name of Marion Monteval.

The Anti Defamation League here suggested you write to Mr. Jerry Bakst, 315 Lexington Ave.,New York, N.Y. 10016. You might mention that you have checked with their Atlanta office through the Southern Regional Council in case they refer you back to the Atlanta office.

Another possibiity is The Ku Klux Klan in American Politics by Arnold Rice.Our copy has been checked out of our library so did not get a chance to look through it.

I hope that we have been of some help to you in your research. If you could advise us of Mr. Fuller's address (Is he living in the South? What state?) we might be able to find out more about him. I have enclosed a publications list to give you some idea of the type of materials available through the council.

Feel free to call on us if we can be of any further help.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

Susan Morgan

September 20, 1968

Mr. Max M. Fisher
Chairman
National Executive Board
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Thank you for your invitation to the annual Executive Board dinner on October 26. I look forward to attending.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

MEMORANDUM September 20, 1968

To: John A. Griffin, Chairman
Program Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

Re: ANNUAL MEETING.

The heart of the program of the Annual Meeting, it seems to me, is an opportunity for the full membership to discuss, at length, (1) the current crisis, (2) the implications of that crisis for this organization.

This discussion will, of course, be held the week following the national election, which is significant and fortunate. I believe the following questions could be starters:

1. Do we have a genuine national crisis?

2. If so, what are the components of this crisis?

3. What are the regional relationships to these components?

4. What is the role of the Southern Regional Council in attempting to address itself to these matters?

I think we would need to give further guidance on the abovementioned "components." These would include an assessment of national policy -- past and potential; a consideration of the relationship of "law and order," and perhaps the entire spectrum of "white backlash" as it will likely be represented in the election; the issue of "black separatism" and an assessment of the economic nature of such problems as are defined.

We would want to include in our packet for the members:

1. several historical documents and other pertinent items such as Dunbar's Annals piece on the Council;

2. papers by the three former directors; (On reflection, my brief report to the Council will include whatever I have to say on this subject.)

3. basic articles on black separatism, the War on Poverty, the Kerner Report, "law and order," "violence," and the like.

Finally, I have given more thought to the matter of outside people, and have talked with Harold about this, as you have. And, at the moment, my inclination is to try to make do with our own people only. We might give further thought, however, to our own people (interpreted to include the former directors and, perhaps, even other past staff people).

See you Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m.

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September 20, 1968

Mr. Max M. Fisher, Chairman
National Executive Board
American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Thank you for your gracious invitation to be with you on the evening of October 26th. I accept with gratitude.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 20, 1968

Mr. John H. Wheeler
President
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

We had a good meeting on last Saturday, and you were missed.

The Committee gave a great deal of thought to the whole subject of the Annual Meeting, including considerable attention to changing the dates to either the week before or the week after. The Committee concluded that to hold the meeting the day after the general election would seriously cut attendance. The third week had to be ruled out because of the difficulty of hotel space. The Committee did want me, however, to let you know how much it wished it possible to change the dates.

Also, the Committee voted unanimously to ask you to give the main address of the Annual Meeting on the first evening, Wednesday, November 13. The Members thought this an excellent idea and a superior one to having an outside speaker.

Needless to say, any of us here will be more than happy to be of help to you as you prepare your speech.

All good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mr. Ernest Dumas
Arkansas Gazette
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Dumas:

Bill Shelton has passed your name along to us as one who would possibly be interested in doing the Arkansas roundup for our publication, NEW SOUTH. Would you let us know if you are interested? Our next deadline is October 1, and the material usually runs about five pages.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 23, 1968

Mr. Otis Cochran
Sterling Law Building
Room 2582
Yale University Law School
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Otis:

Glad to hear you are settled, and needless to say, I wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

cc: RV
Requested by: VEP

Invoice Rec'd:_____
Amount: _____
Check Mailed: _____

September 23, 1968

The Institute of Law and Government
of the School of Law
The University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

Please send us thirty (30) copies of, "The Handbook for County Commissioners," by Robert L. Stoyles, Jr., and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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MEMORANDUM September 23, 1968

To: The Staff

From: Paul Anthony

At the last Executive Committee meeting several changes were made in staff and structure that will be of interest to you.

Partly in consideration and planning for Pat's leave of absence next year, it was agreed that the Research and Information Departments should be considered one, under the supervision of the Director of Information.

Also, under the supervision of the Director of Information, two co-equal positions have been created. They are Editor of Publications, to which position Bob Anderson has been appointed, with Warren Pritchard as Editorial Assistant.

The other position created is that of Director of Research with Glenda Bartley appointed to that position.

Also, the temporary employment of John Morris with the VEP was approved, and Emory Via was made permanent Director of the Labor Project.

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MEMORANDUM September 23, 1968

To: Members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee.

From: Paul Anthony

A meeting of the Lillian Smith Award Committee will be held on Saturday, October 19. This date has been designated by each member of the Committee as one satisfactory for all.

Unless you would find it convenient to meet later, we shall plan to hold the meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m., here at the SRC office. If by chance any of you find later that you cannot be present, please try to be available for a telephone conversation during the day.

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September 23, 1968

Miss Sally J. Oleon
Program Officer
Division of Education and Research
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York, 10017

Dear Miss Oleon:

Thank you for sharing with us the announcement of the Doctoral Fellowships for Black Students. We are taking the occasion to circulate this announcement to a rather large number of interested persons.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mr. Edward Weber, Curator
Labadie Collection
University Library
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Weber:

We have forwarded your letter to Mr. J. Edwin Stanfield, 2801 Silverway Drive, Austin, Texas 78757, who is doing the staff work for the newly created Southwest Intergroup Relations Council. I am sure you will hear from him shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mr. Carl E. Auvil
President
Virginia Council on Human Relations
6723 Nicholson Road
Falls,Church, Virginia 22042

Dear Mr. Auvil:

I have read your letter of September 19 and the enclosures with interest. And, I am impressed by them. I think your comments about the future role of the human relations council are all together sound and correct.

On the basis of the information you have supplied us, the Virginia Council is viable in our opinion and eligible to receive assistance from us if funds are available. As soon as I know, I will be in touch with Frank relative to what funds we have available and how a request from the Virginia Council should be planned.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Frank Adams

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

September 23, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Raymond:

Thanks for the biography on Huge. Last week in New York I learned from Les Dunbar that we have created an interesting problem for ourselves. Huge has actually replaced Marion Wright in her current project in Washington, which is technically financed by us. Therefore, and again technically, Huge is our employee and ineligible for membership. This project, however, was only for six months and it is probably going to be taken over by Clark College. If and when this happens Huge would then be eligible for membership. I plan to call him in the next several days and will let you know the results of that conversation.

Enclosed is a letter from Will Allred and my response to it.

Would either October 16, 23, or 30 be available for our get together there? I will hold all three dates until I hear from you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
enclosure - 1.

September 23, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses. Again, I very much appreciate your assistance in this.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

September 23, 1968

Mr. John Dean
Associate Director
The Local Coalition Staff
The Urban Coalition
1815 "H" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear John:

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested materials.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Lovejoy
1415 East 19th Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Doc and Charlie:

It was a real pleasure to visit with you on Saturday.

Charlie, I am sorry I had to leave before you returned, but I suspect you had enough of a surprise when you got there.

I am delighted you are making plans to return East, and shall keep that fact in mind as I wonder around the South.

Warm regards to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Miss Faye Bennett
National Sharecroppers Fund
112 East 19th Street
New York, New York 10003

Dear Faye:

We have reviewed the matter of land trust and feel it to be so important as to warrant a policy decision. Toward that end we presented to our Executive Committee, on Saturday, September 14th, the propositions of the land trust, exclusively versus land trust and/or opportunities for land ownership. It was the Committee's decision that SRC could not at this time endorse or participate in any programs limited exclusively to the land trust idea.

Please understand there were many members of the Committee who spoke very highly of the land trust idea and all agreed they would like to see an experiment of this nature. They felt, however, that there should also remain the option and the choice for individual ownership. In short,

they felt that both methods should be tried. I do hope you are willing to re-think your position on this -- not as a rejection of the land trust idea, but rather for the inclusion of the option.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
72 Fairlie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear John:

Last week I saw Les Dunbar who mentioned that if the Georgia Council wants continued support for next year he would like to have a request within the next three (3) weeks.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78757

Dear Ed:

Sorry we didn't get to have dinner, but glad you got home. Of course, I followed your tracks and found that you had done a good job.

I feel certain that Deborah Cole will give you a small grant before the end of the year. There is also another foundation next door to Debbie, running very much the same way as the Norman Fund. This is the Joint Foundation Support, 575 Madison Avenue, 19th Floor. Mrs. Elizabeth W. Troubh is the Executive Director. Debbie told her last Thursday she would share your materials and urged Mrs. Troubh to also give you a modest grant. I suspect you will be hearing from Mrs. Troubh soon. You might thank Debbie when you have occasion to write to her.

While Les was very interested, I think there is less promise there. Nevertheless, unless you have worked out some other arrangement with Les, or he has specifically asked you not to submit a request, I would ask him for a small grant prior

to his November board meeting.

Keep me informed.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 23, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Troubh
Executive Director
Joint Foundation Support
575 Madison Avenue, 19th Floor
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Troubh:

It was a real pleasure meeting you last week, and I appreciate the amount of time we spent together.

I have asked Vernon Jordan to send up his proposal as soon as possible.

Having noted how little paper you have in your office, I am sending up a substantial collection of our literature.

All good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM September 23, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: Paul Anthony

Please send the last six (6) issues of New South and a collection of our better materials, including a publications list to the following person:

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Troubh
Executive Director
Joint Foundation Support
575 Madison Avenue, 19th Floor
New York, New York 10022

Also: Add Mrs. Troubh to our Foundation mailing list.

September 23, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debbie:

We shall pass the funds on to the Federation.

It was, indeed, good seeing you last week and I do appreciate your considerable help and support during my conversation with Betty.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

September 23, 1968

Mr. Charles Prejean
Executive Director
Federation of Southern Cooperatives
52 Fairlie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed is our check for $7,500.00 representing the second payment, in support of the Federation, from the Aaron E. Norman Fund. This grant is for work in developing the Federation's program.

You understand, of course, that no portion of these funds can be used in violation of the stipulations under the Internal Revenue Code. Toward that end, we shall expect an audit of the use of this grant at the end of the year.

At your convenience please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter, and return it to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.
cc: Mrs. Deborah M. Cole

September 23, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams
118 Telefare Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Williams:

Thank you very much for your card. I want you to know that I really did appreciate it, and that in my opinion, you did a very good job. Good luck in the future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mrs. Mamie R. G. Nelson
President
Lee County NAACP Branch
200 California Street
Marianna, Arkansas 72360

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 12, and to say that regretfully, I will be unable to attend your meeting on October 6, 1968, due to prior commitments.

I wish for your meeting every success, and if we can be of any help in the future, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mrs. Elma Rogers
309 N. Bradford Avenue
Brownsville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Rogers

Thank you very much for your letter of August 26. I would have responded before now, but have been out of the office almost constantly since that time. It was very good hearing from you.

I too, am very sorry that you were not able to get any persons deputized for your voter registration drive in Haywood County. Nevertheless, it is gratifying to know that you are not going to give [redacted] attempts to secure deputy registrars, in this regard I wish you well.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mr. James H. Cordy
Route 2, Box 131
Aliceville, Alabama

Dear Mr. Cordy:

In response to your letter of August 28, Mr. Jordan has asked me to inform you that you should make your appeal for federal voting examiners to the U. S. Attorney- General, Ramsey Clark, in Washington, D. C. We cannot assure you that your request or examiners will be granted, but you should try anyway. Similarly, the Voter Education Project is going to inform the Justice Department of the need for voting examiners in Pickens County.

Hopefully, I will be in Aliceville some time next month, and we will be able to discuss this further. But, in the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us hear from you.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Nils R. Douglas, Esquire
Collins, Douglas & Elie
Attorneys at Law
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

I am very sorry I did not call you as I promised. Unfortunately, my plane from Baton Rouge was late, and I just barely made my connection with my flight to Atlanta. But I suppose we can talk about what we have to talk about when you are here during the weekend.

Regards to Bob and Lollis.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Director of Field Activities
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Miss Sherrill Marcus
Regional Youth Director
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
Room 107
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Marcus:

This is to confirm my acceptance of your invitation for me to serve as a consultant during your workshop on "Mobilizing The Entire Community for Effective Political Action," Saturday, October 19, at 10:30 a. m. I will be very happy to attend.

Your letter indicated that the Convention will be held in Statesboro, but did not specify where in Statesboro. Would you, sometime before the 19th inform me as to where the meeting will be held. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mr. Dennis C. Ware, II
1520 Jackson Street
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

Dear Dennis:

It was a pleasure meeting with you and Mr. Floyd while I was in Lake Charles last Monday. Probably, I am sending you a Xeroxed copy of our grant letter to the Lake Charles Project, and I do hope that upon resumption of your drive you will be successful.

I am also placing you on our mailing list, so you can keep a list of VEP activities in the region. I hope you like our newsletter.

Regards to everyone, and take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm
Enclosures

September 23, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project, Inc.
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Thank you very much for sending me the memos on the Allen Parish Voters League and the West Feliciana Police Jury Situation. I haven't had a chance to read the Allen Parish proposal as yet, and will make my recommendation to Vernon upon doing so. With regard to your recommendation of Alfred Mitchell as consultant for the West Feliciana elected officials, that is also something I will have to discuss with Vernon, and I will let you know what he thinks about it.

It was nice seeing you and Mrs. Johnson again. Do take care and let us hear from you.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

The Honorable Mervin M. Dymally
Senate Chambers
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Mervin:

It was a pleasure meeting you while you were in Atlanta. Unfortunately, we did not get a chance to talk very much but hopefully we will be able to do enough of that when you are here for our meeting of black elected officials.

I would appreciate your sending me any information relating to programs for black students who are interested in studying law at UCLA. If there is such a program, I would appreciate getting more information about it.

Again, it was a pleasure meeting you, and I'm looking forward to seeing you again in December.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Director of Field Activities
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mr. James Finney
Legal Defense & Educational Fund
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York

Dear Jim:

I am very sorry I didn't write ~~you~~ as I promised I would while we were in Macon. As usual I've been on the road more than I have been in the office, and a number of things I had to do have been left undone. However, I don't think we will be having any more institutes this year. In most of the states there are only a few blacks running for office, and it ~~would~~ probably would not worth our having an institute for a small number of people. But, if after consulting with Vernon, we change our minds I'll let you know.

Take it slow.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
Director
Political Science Department
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Thank you very much for your card. That was a very good way of getting back at me. (I didn't know you were a normal super-human.)

Your letter of recommendation for me should be addressed to: The Dean of Admissions
Yale University Law School
New Haven, Connecticut
06520

Thanks for being willing to write it. I really appreciate that.

I hope you didn't work too hard while you were in New York. If you are ever fortunate enough to visit Atlanta, do come by and say 'hello.'

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

September 23, 1968

Mr. Taylor Branch
199 Nassau Street
Princenton, New Jersey 08540

Dear Taylor:

I regret this delay in responding to your letter of September 8.

I am scheduled to arrive at Princeton early Thursday afternoon and speak at the Woodrow School at 5:15.

John McAlister, lecturer in Public and International Affairs, is arranging this trip. In his last letter he indicated plans for a dinner after the talk with some of the students and that the school had a room for me at the Nassau Inn.

You should get in touch with McAlister, he is a very good guy. He spent several years in Vietnam and is a native of South Carolina. We campaigned together for Robert Kennedy last spring in California.

It will be good to see you and Cathy again.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

UEP-
68-166

September 23, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
President
Houston County Voters League
127 Vicki Lynn Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Houston County Voters League for a grant to conduct a citizenship education program in Houston County, Warner Robins, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $750.00 for a period of six weeks, to run from September 30, to November 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$300.00
b)	(3) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)		270.00
c)	Transportation		100.00
d)	Citizenship Education Materials		80.00
Total			$850.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports to the Project, setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, (b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These report should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 23, 1968

Miles J. Alexander, Esquire
Attorney at Law
Hurt Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Miles:

As promised, I am enclosing a copy of Maynard Jackson's biographical sketch for your use.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

File

September 24, 1968

Dr. Margaret Rowley
Dean
Morris Brown College
Atlanta Georgia 30314

Dear Dr. Rowley:

I have just read in yesterday's paper of your appointment as College Dean, and I hasten to congratulate both you and the college you represent. I am sure that you will bring to your job the same ability that has made your teaching career such a success.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

File

September 24, 1968

Mr. James A. Moore, President
Hampton County Branch NAACP
Box 65
Hampton South Carolina

Dear Mr. Moore:

This brief note is to say that it was very nice meeting and talking with you on Saturday. You can depend on us to cooperate with you and members of the Branch at all times and to assist you in getting all unregistered persons in Hampton County registered.

Please do not hesitate to write us if we can be of service to you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

File

September 24, 1968

Mr. Robert DeLeon
645 Beckwith St. S.W.
Atlanta Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

Thank you, Mr. DeLeon, for the interest you display in the Voter Education Project as evidenced by your application for a position on our staff.

We regret that our response must be disappointing, as there is no opening at the present, nor do we anticipate any in the near future. However, we are retaining your application in our files, should we have the occasion to engage a man of your qualifications.

We shall be glad to call on you if the opportunity arises. And meanwhile, we wish you very early success in attaining a position that will be both profitable and pleasant.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

File

September 24, 1968

Mr. Walter Malachi
Orangeburg County Voter Education Project
Box 1778
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg South Carolina 29115

Dear Walter,

This brief note is to thank you and members of the Orangeburg County Voter Education Project for the hospitality shown to us while attending the Statewide Meeting of the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

Since this was my first visit in your city, this gesture has a double meaning for me.

The meeting was a most profitable one, and all branches of the South Carolina Voter Education Project are to be congratulated.

Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

VEP-
68-167

September 24, 1968

Mrs. Dorothy Hinson
Route 1, Box 191
Hayneville, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Hinson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lowdes County Christian Movement Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lowdes County, Hayneville, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from October 1 to November 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		250.00
Printing and Supplies		30.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

Enclosure

September 24, 1968

Industrial Relations Research Association
Social Science Building
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

Gentlemen:

Please change my mailing address from 805 Extension Building, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin to the following:

Mr. Emory F. Via
Director
Labor Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Yours truly,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

September 24, 1968

Mr. McNeill Smith
700 Jefferson Standard Building
Greensboro, North Carolina 27402

Dear Mr. Smith:

Mr. Anthony promised to send you a copy of his letter of August 27 to Will Allred of the North Carolina Council. It is enclosed. Also, enclosed, are copies of Will's letter to us requesting an opportunity for the North Carolina Council to appeal the special committee's recommendations before the Executive Committee and Mr. Anthony's reply. We thought you would be interested in these, too.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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September 24, 1968

Mrs. J. E. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston, Texas

Dear Mrs. Rayzor:

Your letter of September 17th arrived after the Nominating Committee meeting had been held. Therefore, the names of Dr. Vandiver and Mr. Childers will have to be considered next year. I'm sure the 1968 Nominating Committee will be grateful for these suggestions.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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September 24, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mrs. M. E. Tilly
FROM: Emory F. Via

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Paul Swaity called to say that Scott Hoyman, Regional Director of the Textile Workers Union of America, will be able to attend your conference on October 23rd.

Any details about time, place, etc., should be worked out directly with Hoyman. He is in Charlotte, North Carolina--Area Code 704, Phone 376-7521.

I will be happy to make this contact for you when you are ready with the details.

EF/km

September 25, 1968

Mr. Joe Gilliland
Route 3, Box 55-M
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

Dear Mr. Gilliland:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some court cases on racial gerrymandering.

For more information, I suggest you check the following books:

Race Relations and American Law
by Jack Greenberg

Re-Apportionment
by Robert B. McKay

Race Relations Law Reporter
(December, 1958)
Vanderbilt University School of Law

You may get a copy of the Civil Rights Commission's report by writing the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington, D. C.

Enclosed along with our Publications List are the names and addresses of our state councils. You may want to write directly to them.

Thanks for writing. If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed

DR:js

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

September 25, 1968

Mrs. Sid Davis
1687 North Pelham Road N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I hope you will forgive my delay in answering your request for information on training programs or alternative employment for domestic workers. I recently discovered two publications of the National Committee on Household Employment that might be helpful to you.

The Committee was formed by a number of women's groups to conduct pilot projects in upgrading household services under a grant from the Department of Labor. I have enclosed xerox copies of these reports published by the Committee and a number of newspaper clippings about the projects.

If you are interested in following up these materials, you might write to the National Committee on Household Employment, 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

I hope that we have been of some help.

Sincerely,
Susan Morgan
Susan Morgan

September 25, 1968

Mr. M. Hayes Mizell
The John Hopkins University
The Institute of Southern History
9 West 29th Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Hayes:

I purposely did not set a limit because I thought you might really want to cut loose. Why don't we say roughly 5,000 words, which I guess would run about 35 double-spaced pages.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 25, 1968

Mr. George A. Gullette
Department of Social Studies
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

Dear Mr. Gullette:

Thank you so mucy for your good letter about NEW SOUTH. I appreciate your taking the time to write us.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 25, 1968

Mrs. Emma Lou Echols
P. O. Box 11
Loachapoka, Alabama 36865

Dear Mrs. Echols:

I am sorry to be so slow in answering your letter asking for minimum wage information, but I have just returned to work after a lengthy absence.

From the information y@u sent me I would guess that your employer has acted in a way to be within the law. I am enclosing a leaflet from the Wage and Hour Division of the U. S. Department of Labor which describes how the minimum wage law applies to schools.

You will see in the leaflet that if your employer was paying you $1.15 per hour he was all right as far as the law is concerned. In February of 1969 the amount goes up to $1.30 and there will be a required increase for the next two years until the wage reaches $1.60. The law does not require vacation pay or holiday pay. Your employer is required to pay you the legal minimum wage for the hours you actually worked. If he gave you meals he could subtract their cost from your pay instead of charging you as he does now. If you work more than a total of 42 hours in one week then he must pay you time and a half for each hour more than 42 which you work. After February, 1969, he

will have to pay overtime for each hour over 40 hours.

If you have anymore questions about the law or if you think your employer is violating the law you could contact your nearest Wage and Hour Office:

Mr. Dalton O. Blake, Investigation
Supervisor
Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Div.
U. S. Department of Labor
413B Post Office and Court House Bldg.
Montgomery, Alabama 36103

I agree with you that you are not being paid enough, but on the facts you have given me I do not think the law will help you unless the law itself is changed. One other answer is to bargain with your employer. This can best be done if there is a group of you who will stick together, but you may need to think about how easy it would be for the school to replace you. Some employees of schools have joined unions to get help in working for better wages and conditions. The union which most often organizes local public employees is the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFL-CIO). Its regional director is Mr. Morton Shapiro who can be reached at the following address:

Mr. Morton Shapiro
AFSCME
Suite 506
1421 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Of course, if you can get the local citizens or voter groups to support better pay for school workers this might help.

I am sorry not to be of more help, but hope that you will find a way to improve your wages.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

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September 25, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Herman
Assistant Professor of Business Law
Georgia State College
33 Gilmer Street S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Bob:

We hit pay dirt! In November of 1964 the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (Welfare Administration, Office of Juvenile Delinquency and Youth Development) held a conference on "The Extension of Legal Services to the Poor". Part of the conference was devoted to "Forewarning the Low Income Community of the Most Common Legal Difficulties". Four panel members discussed various projects in legal education: The Harlem Experience, The English System of Citizen's Advice Bureaus, Education on New York's Lower East Side and Legal Aid Educational Practices.I've enclosed a xerox copy of these reports. Since the conference took place four years ago, you might want to write the participants for a more up to date account of how their projects fared. Also, they might be able to give you some new ideas.

Dean Clyde C. Ferguson (moderator)
Howard University
School of Law
Washington, D.C.

James Finney
Neighborhood Legal Services Project
601 West 113th Street
New York, N.Y.

Mildred Zucker
James Weldon Johnson Community Center
2205 First Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10029

Edward Sparer
Director, Legal Services Unit
Mobilization for Youth
214 East Second Street
New York, N.Y. 10009

Junius Allison
Executive Director
National Legal Aid and Defender Association
1155 East 60th Street
Chicago, Ill. 60637

I've included a xerox copy of a section from Law and Poverty: Report to the National Conference on Law and Poverty, Washington, D.C., June 23-25, 1965. It's called "Legal Education to Serve the Poor" and although it's not as good as the other thing, it might give you some ideas. They mention the National Council on Legal Clinics who have compiled a casebook and supplementary materials "stressing legal problems of the poor". I don't know how good they are but I checked and Emory Law Library has them if you're interested in looking into it.

I also spoke to Hector Black who did a lot of work in Vine City. He might be able to help you set up the program. (He has some definite ideas on what you shouldn't do.) If you are interested in talking to him, let me know and I'll find out how you can get in touch with him.(He has just moved back to Atlanta and isn't settled yet.)

I hope these leads will help you to get off the ground. I'll keep my eyes open and send you anything else that I find.

Congratulations on your forthcoming appointment. Good luck in alerting the "poor" (I hate that word) to that nebulous entity known as legal rights.

Sincerely,

Susan

Susan Morgan

Do call the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council at Emory (telephone 378-4357). If they don't have anything specific, they might be able to give you the name of someone who does.

The head of the National Council on Legal Clinics is:
Prof. Howard R. Sacks
Executive Director
National Council on Legal Clinics
1155 East 60th Street
Chicago, Ill. 60637

September 25, 1968

Mrs. Joseph Phinazee
School of Library Service
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Annette:

You probably will have already talked to Paul by the time you get these enclosures; he said he would telephone you this afternoon or tomorrow.

Enclosed are the only two pieces of correspondence on file regarding the materials at A. U. As I recall, much of the early planning was done through personal conferences between you, Paul and Mr. Jackson, and on the telephone. However, as to what needs to be done with the Interracial Commission files and the cost involved, I think the letter to Mr. Jackson from the Atlantic Microfilm Corporation of July 6, 1966 will give you some ground rules, in terms of figures, as to how to approach Ford for this particular project.

I have, today turned Captain and Mrs. Edelin's new address over to our Circulation Department, which will soon be getting our materials to them.

Regards to Joe.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

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September 25, 1968

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger
Chairman
Commission to Study the Organization
of Peace
866 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Eichelberger:

This is to follow up our phone conversation of this morning.

On October 23-24 The Fellowship of the Concerned, the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council, will have its twenty-fifth annual workshop at the Atlantan Hotel here in Atlanta. This will bring together women leaders of both races and the three faiths, from eleven southern states.

Our general subject is "1968 - International Human Rights Year." We need a speaker, preferably for the morning session of October 24, beginning at 9:30 o'clock.

By the way, Mrs. Roosevelt gave us our title -- "The Fellowship of the Concerned." She was with us at our first meeting and several years later she came again.

We are enclosing a folder, "Southern Regional Council." In it you will find itsshistory, its purpose, how it is

financed, its program, its publications, etc.

We do hope you can get a speaker for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Director
Woman's Work

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Enclosure

September 26, 1968

The Reverend and Mrs, Julius C. Hope
1609 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Hope:

As always it was a great pleasure seeing you and being in your home this past weekend. I was clearly reminded of my old NAACP days when 1609 "G" Street was my Brunswick home.

I appreciate so much your kind and generous hospitality. Shirley and I look forward to the time when we can return same in kind. I regret that I had to come late and leave early. Hopefully, next time I will be able not only to bring family, but to stay longer.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 26, 1968

Mrs. J. C. Hope
1609 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Hope:

If at all possible, I would highly appreciate your sending me all newspaper clippings relative to Mr. Jordan's appearance there last weekend. We try to keep up with what his public says about him.

At some time in the near future, I hope to meet you personally. Thank you kindly for your effort in our behalf, it will be most helpful to us.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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September 26, 1968

Dr. Herman Smith, Director
Office for the Advancement of
Public Negro Colleges
805 Peachtree Street
Suite 577
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Dr. Smith:

Enclosed is a list of Southern Negro state legislators and 1968 legislative candidates requested by one of your associates in a telephone conversation Thursday morning.

If you will contact me a few days after the Nov. 5 general election, I will try to give you the names of the winners in the seven states where there are black candidates for the state legislature.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

VEP 68-168
file

September 26, 1968

Mr. Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Independent Voters League, Inc.
2333 Norfolk Road
Suffolk, Virginia 23434

Dear Mr. Riddick:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Suffolk-Nansemond County Independent Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Suffolk-Nansemond County, Suffolk, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $750.00 for a period of three weeks to run from September 28 to October 12, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Task Force Workers	$350.00
Printing and Postage	150.00
Equipment Rental (Sound Trust)	100.00
Transportation	100.00
Office Supplies	50.00
	$750.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mw
Enclosure

File

September 26, 1968

Mr. DeWitt Walker, President
Progressive Youth Club
Box 171
Swainsboro Georgia 30401

Dear Mr. Walker:

This belated note to thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to discuss with me, the other day, some of the problems as they relate to Emanuel County.

Enclosed are our guidelines, as I promised. We invite you to submit us a proposal in keeping with these guidelines. The Project will do whatever we can to support your efforts.

Again, thank you very much for everything.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw
Enclosure

September 26, 1968

Mrs. Ruth Sulzberger Golden
Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Golden:

Each year a nominating committee of the Council selectss persons to be placed in nominationg for membership at our Annual Meeting. This year's Committee wishes to include you in those placed in nomination.

It is our custom to check with the individual so selected prior to our meeting to determine if he or she is willing to serve, if elected. This is to make that inquiry of you and to express my hope that you will be willing to be a member of the Southern Regional Council.

Membership is not time-consuming nor demanding. Members are invited to the three-day Annual Meeting held each year in Atlanta in November. There the basic policy of the agency is established or reviewed each year.

Enclosed is a list of our current membership.

Again, I do hope you will be willing to serve.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Board List)

September 26, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

While I am very anxious to meet with you and Joe, it would perhaps be just as well if we held off on our meeting until after we know what Ford Foundation is going to do relative to providing funds for assistance to state Councils. While I am not sure they will hold to it, the Ford people have promised me a decision within the next two weeks.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 26, 1968

Mr. Owen D. Hungerford
Assistant Secretary
Irwin-Sweeney-Miller Foundation
301 Washington Street
Columbus, Indiana

Dear Mr. Hungerford:

This is to request, at your conveniences, the Foundation's installment of $1,000 for 1968 relative to your three-year grant to the Council approved last year.

I do hope that if you, or any of the Directors of the Foundation, are every in Atlanta you will visit with us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 26, 1968

Forbes Magazine
60 - 5th Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

This belated letter refers to an article concerning the Diner's Club in your issue of September 15th.

Mr. Fugaza certainly has his work cut out for himself. I am the director of an agency with 15 persons who travel extensively. We have had an account with the Diner's Club for a great many years, and our credit is beyond question. Yet when my Diner's card expired a year ago, repeated letters and telephone calls have failed to produce a new one. I have been very surprised to find out how easy it is to travel without that card.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 26, 1968

Father Walter B. Clancy
2500 North Tyler Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72207

Dear Father Clancy:

The Nominating Committee at a recent meeting selected you as one of those persons to be placed in nomination for membership on the Council. We like to check with people to see if they will be willing to serve if elected. I certainly hope you are willing since it would be a real pleasure to have you in the organization.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 26, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Les:

Enclosed is a summary report on TEAM. There are those who know more about its field operation this past year who feel that this report is too modest. I suspect they are right but we agreed to let the report stand as is.

At the end we get around to money, and suggest that $10,000 would allow us to terminate and take advantage of a substantial current opportunity. We could do fairly well with $7,500.

I am enclosing a few items from our field work which may serve to give you a better feeling of our program in action. Also enclosed is a budget statement through August 9, 1968.

The number of placements resulting from both public and private efforts was undoubtedly substantially above those reported by me. But these data and those which might reflect some pattern changes will not be available until EEOC has processed them.

It was not until our meeting earlier this month with the government agencies, at our insistence, that

we ourselves knew how close we are to a much larger opportunity for improving the employment situation in textiles.

Subject to your advice we would be happy to have this report considered as a request for funds or to submit a separate proposal for that purpose. We are all deeply grateful to you and the Field Foundation for having made this opportunity possible. What we have learned from it, aside from its direct accomplishments, has been useful in many other activities.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

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TEAM SUMMARY REPORT

(Textiles: Employment and Advancement for Minorities)
September, 1968

Introduction:

In January, 1967, a forum on textile industry employment patterns in North and South Carolina was held by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Following the forum, six private agencies* formed TEAM to provide a field program in South Carolina and to work with national and regional federal offices to end discrimination in employment in the textile industry. Several of the private agencies had presented statements to the EEOC forum and one of them earlier had urged the EEOC to show interest in the textile industry.

TEAM was one part of a total effort including the governmental agencies (EEOC and OFCC) and the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council. TEAM hoped that the combined activities would serve a) to substantially increase Negro employment in entry level jobs, b) to place Negroes into a scattering of skilled and white collar jobs, c) to see that training, employment services, and other programs related to the textile industry were non-discriminatory, and d) to keep the private agencies informed about government agency action to insure that a high level of government activity continued.

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*The six agencies were: The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, the Southern Regional Office of the National Urban League, Penn Community Services, The Southern Office of the AFL-CIO Civil Rights Department, The Southern Rural Training Project, and the Southern Regional Council.

TEAM Activities.

TEAM activities can be separated into two categories, field and general. The field activities went through several phases as the program moved through its initial organization, created community awareness, and then began to operate within local communities. In the earlier phases special materials were prepared on the program and they and appropriate government materials were widely distributed. Area conferences were organized by TEAM, and in cooperation with other agencies, to alert local Negro leadership, training agencies, and employers to the new interest in textile employment. Local informational meetings were held.

During the course of local community contact, indigenous, local leaders were selected to serve as community aides to the TEAM effort. The aides worked part time for pay to help create interest in textile employment, organize campaigns to test employer willingness to hire Negroes, to spot local situations contributing to employment discrimination, to cooperate with appropriate government staff people. Aides have worked in nine counties and are currently working in five or six. A special training program conducted at Penn Community Services assisted the aides in better understanding their duties, the textile industry, types of discrimination, job application and testing procedures, and available resources.

The community program has proved valuable both in achieving the ends of the program and in demonstrating how difficult it is to solve elementary problems in some communities.

Approximately 500 persons have been placed by TEAM efforts. The total may be more but we recognized at the start that our best efforts at securing accurate reporting would be frustrated and this has frequently proved to be the case. This total, compared to our hopes, is disappointing; compared to other efforts or even on the basis of per head costs, the effort has been reasonably successful. And such comparisons do not take into account the continuing gains from community organization, the stimulation of groups to act on their own, and the goading of public agencies to enforce laws or to carry out their duties equitably.

The field program has led to over fifty complaints of discrimination being filed with federal agencies. Complaints have also been made to schools, the Technical Education Commission programs, and the employment service. In some cases corrective action has already taken place. The basic employment discrimination complaints are currently under investigation by EEOC.

The "general" activities of TEAM have included the further development of interagency cooperation (private and public), liason functions by TEAM board members between government agencies and at times within an agency, the "watchdogging" of federal agency efforts, and on occassion the confrontation of agencies with what was required of them by law and circumstance. There is no need to spell these activities out in detail, but they have been an essential part of the total process. Although we have had good cooperation from government staff, the process

has had to be prodded. Their activities, with and without our help, have assisted in the hiring of about 1,500 Negro employees in newly opened industrial facilities alone, the Atlanta office of EEOC visited some fifty plants urging affirmative action and offering assistance, a number of cases have been referred to the Attorney General for action. One of these has been settled in court, a few others are in process, and some will not be acted upon. EEOC Commissioners have issued complaints in a number of cases, but only one of these seems to have gone to the final stages. Confidentially requirements in the law have inhibited full reporting. The OFCC has made investigations and recommendations in six or seven of the ten largest companies and has proceeded to a showdown with one of them to serve as a model for the industry. The Labor Department is to take action against this company following September 30, if it has not agreed to implement a far reaching affirmative program.

Some Problems.

In almost no cases were the problems of timing satisfactorily resolved. In a one year effort which attempted to bring a number of separate private and public agencies together it would be expected that competing demands, bureaucratic procedures, and human failure would lead to an imperfect meshing of efforts. Some of the difficulty came about because TEAM launched its field program after some of the public efforts were well under way. Other problems stemmed from the vagaries of the national political scene.

It had been our hope that the results of enforcement efforts

would be made available sooner to act as a stimulus to companies and community leadership and to Negro workers reluctant to seek jobs in textiles. We have, frankly, been disappointed that a stronger court ruling could not be secured during the year, that a good settlement did not result from a commissioner complaint which in turn might be made public, or that an OFCC investigation has not already lead to positive action or, if necessary, debarment from government contracts.

We have had perhaps a little less than half of the performance we had hoped for, and sometimes promised, from government agencies. In some cases delivery was beyond the capacity (staff, budget, political commitment) of the staff involved. The total effort probably compares quite favorably to others. The government people are satisfied that it has been a worthy undertaking considering the newness of the effort, that it was the first such cooperative undertaking, and that it was the first strategic action use of their research data. TEAM, though not satisfied, thinks that a practical assessment would in large part confirm the government staff assessment.

The Opportunity Now.

The anticipation of a breakthrough with the big ten companies (OFCC action to secure positive programs or to debar) plus the effects of a new round of complaint oriented EEOC investigations, make us feel that the next few months will be the time of greatest employment gains in textiles. The public and private agencies agree that to maximize this opportunity it will be

important to have a community program to recruit workers, spread information about openings, and to monitor the various efforts going into the total process.

We are at that point, it would seem, where our various efforts are most likely to bear fruit in actual job placements. The Labor Department currently indicates that its actions should be completed during October. The EEOC initial investigations should be through in a few days. Both of these actions will alert the industry to the need for a more significant change in its patterns of employment. It should be remembered that the rulings affecting the big ten alone will include enforcement possibilities in literally hundreds of their plants located in the Carolinas.

What is Proposed.

TEAM proposes to phase out its operations over the next several months. For that period it would continue, if funds are available, its community aides program. In some areas the program would operate to take advantage of immediate opportunities, but in other cases we would time our activity to match favorable results from governmental action. We would not continue a full-time director, but would look to him for several days a month assistance and similarly use the Charlotte based field staff of the Legal Defense and Education Fund. We would also be alert to the possibilities of extending our program into some areas of North Carolina where the opportunity isggreatest and placement efforts have been weak.

The TEAM executive board would continue its participation in the project including field activities. The participation of the board in the project -- periodic meetings, field consultations, meeting with government staff -- has all been without cost to the project itself. Each agency has borne its own expenses. Two of the agencies, Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the Southern Regional Council, have contributed $2,500 to the project budget. And the LDEF has supported the project during this current period since the end of the grant money.

A grant of $10,000 is needed to allow for the project to be properly terminated and to take advantage of the current situation. We have decided not to seek a larger amount for a fully staffed operation partly because of the difficulty in maintaining fulltime staff in a temporary project of this nature and partly because we feel we can effectively build on what we have already done and make use of existing agencies. A larger program, however, could easily be justified and would, we think, be productive. Although we would like to see government funds made available for a larger program, we do not feel that the private agencies should continue this particular committment beyond what we have proposed here.

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September 26, 1968

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
582 University Place, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Grace:

Nice to hear from you even though not directly. Enclosed are some materials that relate to domestic employment. I am sure there are more recent items available and would suggest that you write the National Committee on Household Employment (their leaflet is enclosed) and to the Women's Bureau of the U. S. Labor Department.

I have also included questionnaire forms that were suggested at one time for people interested in upgrading domestic employees.

Trust this helps.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

Enclosures

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

September 26, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Herman
Assistant Professor of Business Law
Georgia State College
33 Gilmer Street S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Bob:

We just received a pamphlet available in bulk from the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that might be helpful to you in your new program. It's called "Who Will Listen?" and it lists the federal agencies a person should contact if he has a civil rights problem.

I've enclosed a xerox copy of the pamphlet and although it might not be exactly what you're looking for, I think that you'll find it helpful in particular instances. If you are interested in ordering this publication in bulk, write to Edith Barksdale, Public Information Specialist, Information Office, U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20425.

Sincerely,

Susan

Susan Morgan

September 26, 1968

Mr. Carey McWilliams
The Nation
333 Sixth Avenue
New York, New York 10014

Dear Mr. McWilliams:

Here, as we discussed, is the finished typescript on our school desegregation report. You are of course welcome to use all or any parts of it -- with credit to the Council and authors. Or we would be happy to write a piece based on the material.

It goes to the printers tomorrow and we plan to release it on October 11. If you do use it or parts of it, we would not want it to appear before that release date.

Let me know.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encl.

September 26, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House, Apt. 103
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

What would be the chances of getting as many as fifty copies of your book for discount sale at the annual meeting in mid-November?

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 26, 1968

Mr. Paul Good
12 Pennoyer Street
Rowayton, Connecticut 06853

Dear Paul:

The book looks great and I know you are proud! You ought to be. What would be the process by which we would get, say, 50 for discount sale at SRC's annual meeting in mid-November? It ought to be a pretty captive audience!

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 26, 1968

Dr. James M. Hale
Division of Education
Emory University
1485 A Clifton Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Hale:

Thank you so much for your query of this morning. The normal subscription rate for NEW SOUTH quarterly is $3.00 a year. At the quantity you indicated, we could give you a discount of $1.00 on each subscription, reducing the individual rate to $2.00 annually. The publications subscription list, including NEW SOUTH, normally is $8.00 a year; our discount on this quantity would be $3.00, for an annual subscription rate of $5.00.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

September 27, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

We've found a stray file folder marked: "Association of Human Relations Council Directors - 1968." Did you by any chance leave it in Atlanta when you were here to the SRC-HRC Special Committee meeting? If so, I'll be glad to send it on to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj'

September 27, 1968

Dear Bob:

It's a good letter, and the introduction is really a stirring, caring statement.

I agree with you all entirely about the desirability of going on with NAL -- if they will just do what they say they are going to do. And the reaction to your letter ought to be the clincher on that.

Let me know.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

Dr. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

Reading file

September 27, 1968

Mr. Robert Rock
Vice-President for Industrial Relations
Georgia Kraft Company
P. O. Box 1551
Rome, Georgia 30161

Dear Mr. Rock:

This is a belated message to thank you for your time and the information which you supplied me when we met in your office on September 11.

Mr. Whiting's schedule was such that there was some delay in his getting my report, but he now has it. I trust all goes well.

Look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

September 27, 1968

Mr. Mordecai Johnson
TEAM
P. O. Box 1015
Greenville, South Carolina 29602

Dear Mordecai:

Enclosed is a copy of the material that was sent to the Field Foundation. I thought you would like to see what is being sent. You will note in the letter that we are admitting that it is a too modest report. I trust your own report to us will help fatten this one out.

For a number of practical reasons, including what we think Field will actually entertain, we have asked for a limited amount to continue the community aides program. When this report was written it seemed fairly definite that you would be going to CRS. I understand from Jim Wood that you are still considering the alternatives.

The door is not completely closed to other money; however, we have no definite leads at this time.

I wish you well in your decision making and

trust that you will be in touch with me if you have any comments on this report.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

Enclosures

September 27, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

Dear Bob:

Enclosed, one week later than I had hoped, is our revised proposal for the Fund.

You will note I have requested $40,000 per year, which you may want to revise. And, needless to say, I will be more than happy to provide any additional information that you might need.

I sincerely appreciate your assistance and interest in the Council.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

A Proposal to the Rockefeller Brothers Fund
from the
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

September 26, 1968

This is to request continuing and increased support to the general operations of the Southern Regional Council. We cannot do so, however, without first expressing our most sincere appreciation of the past support of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. That support has been not only valuable, but crucial.

Traditionally, the Council has referred to its regular and on-going operation as "general operations," as opposed to our "projects" which vary from time to time according to need and resources. Thus, the general operations of the Council are substantially more than the administrative functions of the organization.

They include our "field operations" in which we attempt to have staff members travel the region for such things as working with the councils on human relations and other organizations, assisting emerging self-help and cooperative efforts, and observing and reporting significant situations, as was done this year in Memphis, Orangeburg and Miami. We serve as secretariat of the Southern Interagency Conference, an informal group of more than forty agencies concerned with race relations in the region. Also, we provide to communities and groups consultants, on request, to assist in concerns ranging from housing integration to education.

General operations encompass salaries and related costs for most of our Research and Information Department, the largest single department of the Council. We feel that this department is the heart of our operation, for it services all of our programs and projects, prepares all of our publications, and handles more than seventy-five requests per week for information from reporters, media researchers, scholars, students, related organizations

and others. This department has played a substantial role in the publication of a number of books, most recently Climbing Jacob's Ladder, a study of the struggle for the ballot by Pat Watters, Director of Information, and Reese Cleghorn. The American Serfs by Paul Good and published this year was first a commissioned article in our quarterly magazine, New South. We are currently under contract with New American Library for the publication in hard and soft cover of a study of hunger, with text by Dr. M. Robert Coles and photographs by Al Clayton. Periodically, persons in this department play substantial roles, sometimes initiating them, in developing major newspaper and magazine stories and television documentaries.

We hope next year, funds permitting, to have the half-time services of an architect and urban planner to keep us sensitive to and involved in the problems of the urban areas of the region. And from general operations, we hope next year to initiate, raise funds for, and administer projects which will expend more than $700,000. (Perhaps it is valid here to insert the thought that support to general operations offers in many ways the greatest return for funds invested. Such support not only allows the Council to exist, but also provides a base for development and administration of the more elaborate projects. Therefore, the relatively modest expenditures which allow us to develop programs usually lead to project expenditures well in excess of our total general operating budget.)

Traditionally, we have had great difficulty in attracting general operations support for the Council. First, of course, most national foundations have been reluctant to invest in programs concerned with race relations. Also, foundations traditionally are reluctant to give for general use as opposed to projects. And, finally, southern sources of support for our type of work have been and continue to be almost non-existant.

For a number of years we have been unable to raise the amount budgeted for general operations. And, since we operate on a year-by-year basis we do not, of course, send funds which are not available. The following compares

budgets for the past several years and funds actually expended.

Year	Budgeted	Spent
1965	$ 246,302	$ 229,056
1966	297,400	240,953
1967	295,700	220,294
1968	293,400	260,000 (estimated)

Of the "hard amount" which we need for adequate operations, there has been approximately $40,000 each year that we have just not been able to raise.

The matter of greatest concern to us is staff security and stability. Staff is program; the quality of the Council's staff determines the quality of the Council's programs. We have been able to attract highly qualified and dedicated people and we believe we can continue to do so despite the ever-growing competition from other sources, both for potential employees and for our present staff. But we do need to offer a measure of security since the staff, generally, is compensated at a rate somewhat less than could be commanded elsewhere. Stability here is required not just for comfortable and sound planning, but as an essential for maximum productivity.

For the above stated reasons we respectfully request consideration of a grant from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund in the amount of $40,000 per year for a three-year period commencing in 1969.

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September 27, 1968

Mr. Clarence Townes, Jr.
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Clarence:

Enclosed please find our most recent figures on Negro and white voter registration in the South. I am sorry for the delay, but I wanted to give you the benefit of our latest compilation.

Our county by county figures for the South should be ready within the next few days. We will forward same to you at that time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 27, 1968

Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
582 University Place
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Grace:

Pursuant to your request enclosed is a list of current black officeholders in Georgia who have been elected to their positions.

Also enclosed is a list, as up to date as we have it following the primary, of black candidates running in the November 5th General Election. Incumbents are indicated and, of course, appear on both lists.

I understand that you also are interested in having a copy of the list of delegates and alternates in our challenge delegation which was seated at Chicago. My copy of this is at home, but I'll bring it next week and run one off for you.

Stop in sometime and see the VEP's new offices on the fourth floor!

Sincerely,

(The Rev.) John B. Morris,
Consultant
Voter Education Project

File

September 27, 1968

Dr. Emmett J. Conrad
4432 S. Oakland Ave.
Dallas Texas 75215

Dear Dr. Conrad:

Pursuant to our phone conversation, here are those Negro elected officials in Texas for whom we lack addresses:

Mrs. Exalton A. Delco--School board, Austin

George Drake--School board, La Marque

Wilbur Eagleton--School Board, Crosby

A.Z. McElroy--School board, Port Arthur

Dr. G.H. Radford--City Council, Waco

Harrison Taylor--Alderman, Wichita Falls

Your assistance in providing addresses for these persons will be much appreciated. Also, we will welcome any information you might have as to other black elected officials in Texas we may have missed.

Yours sincerely,

(The Rev.) John B. Morris
Conference Coordinator
Voter Education Project

JM:zw

September 27, 1968

Mr. Jack Jenkins
Citizen's Crusade Against Poverty
2027 Massachusetts Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

I have enclosed the list of state councils with addresses and directors that you requested.

Please call on us if we can help you in any way.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

File

September 27, 1968

Mr. Richard W. Boone
Executive Director
Citizen's Crusade Against Poverty
2027 Massachusetts Ave. N.W.
Washington D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Boone:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 24, addressed to Mr. Jordan. Pursuant to your request, enclosed are the names and organizations.

GEORGIA

Crisp County

Mr. James Burch, President
Crisp County Movement
1207 Tenth St. South
Cordele

Mr. Aaron Reid, Chairman
Crisp County Branch NAACP
16 Avenue West
Cordele 31015

Grady County

Mr. Hollis G. Vandergriff
Grady County Voter Education Project
710 First Ave. S.W.
Cairo

LOUISIANA

Madison Parish

Mr. Zelma C. Wyche, President
Madison Voters League
505 W. Greene St.
Tallulah 71282

MISSISSIPPI

Amite County

Mr. E.W. Steptoe
Amite County Voter Education Project
Rt. 2 Box 119
Liberty

Simpson County

Mr. Nathan Reubin, President
Civic League of Simpson County
Rt. 2 Box 265-J
Mendenhall

SOUTH CAROLINA

Darlington County

Mr. Arthur W. Stanley, Chairman
Darlington County Voter Education Project
1002 S. Main St.
Darlington

Saluda County

Mr. Charlie S. Daniel, President
Saluda County Branch NAACP
110 N. Bauknight Ferry Road
Saluda

Because of urgency, names for the Limestone, Randolph, Wheeler, St. James and Kemper Counties were not available. However, if you like, I will continue.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

September 30, 1968

Mr. Anthony Goodman
42 Netherby Road
Forest Hill
London S.E.23

Dear Mr. Goodman:

Thank you for your kind letter. I am happy that we were able to provide you with the information you requested.

I am delighted that you will be in Atlanta during the latter part of November. I will certainly be happy to meet with you as will Mr. Pat Watters, Director of Information for the Council and Mr. Marvin Wall of the Voter Education Project.

We are looking forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

September 30, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville
South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Enclosed is the library's copy of Jane Stembridge's book of poems. I am glad that she was able to get another publisher for it, for the circulation will be greater. But the original edition was beautifully done, the printer seemed to have a poetry of his own. Please return the book when you have finished with it. Also, the Gaines book is checked out of the Atlanta Public Library on my library card so I would like to have it back when you are through with it.

I am also enclosing a xeroxed copy of a page from the program of this year's Southern Historical Association Annual Meeting. I know you have talked with most of the participants, so I thought you might like to see what they're up to.

Let me know if I can be of any help in getting more books. Also, thank you for giving so much of your time to Mrs. Hunter and me.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

September 30, 1968

Mr. Ralph Segalman
University of Texas at Austin
School of Social Work
Austin, Texas 78712

Dear Mr. Segalman:

The following publications deal with migrant and seasonal agricultural workers.

The Migratory Farm Labor Problem in the United States: 1965 Report of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, United States Senate, Subcommittee on Migratory Labor. US Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.

Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems, "Migrant Farm Labor in Upstate New York." Vol. 4, Number 1, March 1968. You can obtain a copy by writing to Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems, Box 35, Columbia University Law School, 435 West 116th Street, New York, N.Y. 10027.

Mountain Life and Work: The Migrants- A Special Report. National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor. September 1968. Louisiana address. Southern Mountains, Inc., College Box 2307, Berea, Ky. 40403.

You might also contact the National Sharecroppers Fund, 112 East 19th Street, New York, N.Y. 10003

I have also enclosed a copy of the winter issue of our New South magazine which has an excellent chapter on Florida migrant workers and several xerox copies of

articles on migrants from our files.

I hope that we have been of some help.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

Mrs. Bernice Morrison of our research department who helped me compile this material for you, has suggested that you consult Year of Transition: Seasonal Farm Labor, 1965, A report from the Secretary of Labor. For information on legislation affecting migrant workers, she suggest you see U. S. Agricultural Policy in the Postwar Years 1945-1963: Development of U. S. Farm Problems; an 18-Year Legislative Review; A publication of the Congressional Quarterly Service, 1156 Nineteenth Street, N.W., Washington, 6, D.C.

and Status of Agricultural Workers Under State and Federal Labor Laws, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards, Washington, D.C., Fact Sheet #2, December 1965.

September 30, 1968

Mr. Eugene Patterson
Managing Editor
The Washington Post
Washington, D. C.

Dear Gene:

This comes to express my regrets and congratulations on the changes that have just taken place in your career. Like thousands of others, I am saddened that your pen, your wisdom and your good point of view are now lost to Atlanta and to the South. Frankly, it is not quite the same when I pick up the Constitution every morning.

By the same token, I am deeply pleased that you have joined with one of my favorite newspapers and good friends of mine, such as Bob Baker, Bob Raspberry, Bernadette Kerry, Bill Chapman, and, as the rumor has it, B. J. Phillips. Suffice it to say, you are in great company with a great newspaper.

Bill

While I'll miss reading you in Atlanta, I wish you the best of everything in Washington.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 30, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: JMorris

RE: Refund

Kathy, attached hereto are receipts and my personal check as a refund from the "Planning Meeting" check received September 25, 1968. My check is in the amount of $10.00.

Liquor & Refreshments ---	$37.00
Food & Mix	2.18
	$39.18
Refund - - - -	10.82
Total	$50.00

cc: RHV

cc: RV

Invoice Rec'd;_____

Amount: _____

Mailed:_____

September 30, 1968

The Modern Utopian
2000 Durant Avenue
Berkeley, California 94704

RE: October Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription to your publication for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

September 30, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
President
Houston County Voters League
127 Vicki Lynn Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:ggp

September 30, 1968

Mrs. Dorothy Hinson
Route 1, Box 191
Hayneville, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Hinson:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:ggp

September 30, 1968

Mr. Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Independent Voters League, Inc.
2333 Norfolk Road
Suffolk, Virginia 23434

Dear Mr. Riddick:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:ggp

File

September 30, 1968

Mrs. Taunya Lovell Banks
538½ N. Farish St.
Jackson Mississippi 39202

Dear Taunya:

We appreciated your participation in the planning session for the Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials.

I felt we had a good meeting and am grateful to you for your contribution. If you have further suggestions or ideas for the conference please let us hear from you.

John Morris will be following up on this now and will be in touch with you later concerning your role in the conference.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Mr. Michael Chanin
Southern Center for Study of Public Policy
Clark College
Chestnut St.
Atlanta Georgia

Dear Mike:

We appreciated your participation in the planning session for the Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
Clark College
Atlanta Georgia

Dear Viv:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Mr. James Felder
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady St.
Columbia South Carolina 29201

Dear Jim:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Dr. Samuel Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham North Carolina

Dear Sam:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp St.
New Orleans Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

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I felt we had a good meeting and am grateful to you for your contribution. If you have further suggestions or ideas for the conference please let us hear from you.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Sen. Horace Ward
859½ Hunter St. N.W.
Atlanta Georgia

Dear Horace:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Rep. Robert G. Clark
Box 184
Lexington Mississippi

Dear Bob:

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I felt we had a good meeting and am grateful to you for your contribution. If you have further suggestions or ideas for the conference please let us hear from you.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

File

September 30, 1968

Mr. Henry Marsh
3211 Q St.
Richmond Virginia 23223

Dear Henry:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

September 30, 1968

Mrs. Taunya L. Banks
538½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Mrs. Banks:

Thank you for the information about yourself and the Mississippi Center for Black Elected Officials which you have provided us with.

Mr. Jordan has suggested that we do not run a story about the Center until it has been announced publicly throughtthe newspapers. I feel that if we wait a month or so, we will be able to get a more complete story on your work. I will be in touch with you again after the Center has had more time to develop.

Thank you again.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

September 30, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Leslie:

Here's the article that brought it all to a 'head' across the street.

Sincerely,

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 30, 1968

Mr. John Reg Murphy
Editor of Editorial Page
The Atlanta Constitution
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Reg:

Welcome back to Forsyth Street where you belong anyway. Congratulations on your editorial appointment and my sincerest good wishes. If we at the Voter Project can be of any service to you, personally or otherwise, please feel free to call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

September 30, 1968
September 30, 1968

Dr. David S. Evans
11 Fuller Southeast
Grand Rapids , Michigan 49506

Dear Dr. Evans:

Mrs. Glenda Bartley of our research department has asked that I send you some material on racial violence in Alabama since 1954. I understand that you would specifically like to know the number of church bombings and burnings. In checking through our files, I discovered at least twenty successful church bombings and burnings since 1954 in that state and several unsuccessful attempts. I have enclosed xerox copies of two lists covering those instances which occurred between 1955 and 1963.

I would like to point out that the number of church bombings and burnings is not an accurate reflection of race related violence in Alabama during this period. For instance from 1956 to 1963 there were at least 39 homes and four apartments bombed. (This number does not include shootings into homes, bombed businesses, crosses burned, dynamited cars or bombing attempts that failed.) I would also like to note that although Mrs. Bartley discussed the number of race related murders with you on the telephone, her figure did not reflect the large number of floggings and beatings that have occurred in that state since 1954.

In 1959 the Council prepared a pamphlet listing instances of intimidation, reprisal and violence in the South from 1955 to 1959. I have enclosed xerox copies of those sections dealing with Alabama. I have also enclosed two publications released by the Council in 1965 and 1966 that might prove helpful to you in assessing the racial climate of that state.

Since we have not done anything comprehensive in this area

in the last few years, I have included several news clips showing just what some folks in Alabama have been up to lately.

I am sending you the most recent issue of our magazine New South and a publications list of materials available through the Council.

I hope that we have been of some help to you. Please call on at any time.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

September 30, 1968

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
President
The Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 Eighteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Harold:

Thanks for your help. I did speak with Twomey while he was in Atlanta.

Eliza Paschall and several others did picket the meeting until they were invited in at no cost.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 30, 1968

Mr. Glenn B. Fatzinger
4004 Old Mill Road
Alexandria, Virginia 22309

Dear Glenn:

It was good to see you. Since you were good enough to take a subscription, there is no cost for the back issues of New South.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 30, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Debbie:

You may or may not have seen the enclosed, but I thought you should have it.

Best.

Sincerely

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

September 30, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
302 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Thanks for the formal report on the visit to Louisiana and as you already know, the Executive Committee has acted on and accepted your recommendations.

Again, I appreciate your help.

Incidentally, you would be interested to know I think Will is going to put up quite a fight about the decision regarding North Carolina.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

September 30, 1968

Mr. J. Bill Becker
President
Arkansas State AFL-CIO
1408 Rebsamen Park Road
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Bill:

Sorry we goofed on the check. Here is another one.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

October 1, 1968

Mrs. M. D. Norman
629 East Orin Street
Freeport, Illinois 61032

Dear Mrs. Norman:

Thank you very much for a very wonderful time while I was in Freeport. The people I met were very nice and I want you to know that I did not feel like a stranger. I hope I can see you and your family again.

My expenses for the trip were as follows:

Air Travel -- (Atlanta to (Chicago: Rockford to Atlanta) - -	$ 87.89
Bus transportation from Chicago to Rockford	5.00
Taxi to and from Atlanta Airport	14.80
Hotel (Holiday Inn, Freeport, Ill.)	8.76
	$ 116.45

Receipts in support of these expenses are enclosed.

Please give my regards to Mr. Norman, Pat, Edward, and Clarence.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm
Enclosures

October 1, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
New World Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York

Dear Vernon:

This will acknowledge with our continuing gratitude the Foundation's contribution of $30,000.

Shortly after the first of the year we will provide you with a program report for the year and an audit.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

via air mail October 1, 1968

Chief Victor N. Obie
P. O. Box 68
Kumba
West Cameroon, Africa

Dear Chief Obie,

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note. It was a pleasure having you visit with us. I only regret your stay was not longer.

While I cannot imagine when I will have an opportunity to do so, it would give me a great deal of pleasure to visit you and your family, and to see your lovely country.

Warm regards from all of us here.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 1, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Mildred is getting out your letters today.

I shall plan to meet with the Committee.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 1, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
New World Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York

Dear Vernon:

As I think I said to you last year, one of the most difficult letters I have to write each year is that of acknowledging your personal contribution to SRC. I can only hope you know how much I appreciate it.

I, too, enjoyed our visit last week. It was, as always, the high point of my New York trip.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

October 1, 1968

Mr. Al Ulmer
P. O. Box 204
Vilas, North Carolina

Dear Al:

I am sorry for the delay on the promised return of this. I decided after talking with you that I ought to let others, including Paul, read it to see if they agreed with me that it is now an excellent report. They all did.

I have noted editing changes and minor questions in the margins. Only one of these marginal notes, I hope, needs further explanation. On p. 24, where I have asked, "Develop?" you have the statement about danger of centralization, with no elaboration. It seems to me if you're going to mention it (and I think you should), the point needs developing some. If I remember rightly, you did do that in the first version. Anyhow, there, or on p. 28, where you say the co-ops have to get bigger, could you elaborate on centralization?

I have included a draft of an introduction -- which may or may not catch the spirit of what you have written. If it doesn't, please fix.

I want to emphasize for I guess obvious reasons how good we think this report is. I will be proud to print it. I'm sorry there were hard feelings in the process, but am glad something very good came out of it.

If you have problems with any of the editing or can't read my scrawl anywhere, please call. Otherwise -- the sooner we get it back, the sooner we can get it out.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

October 1, 1968

Dr. T. T. Williams
2857 - 77th Avenue
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Dr. Williams:

I have, of course, shared copies of the correspondence you and Chris Edley have had.

At the moment there remains approximately $250.00 in your account for travel and telephone costs. We are prepared to increase this by adding an additional $1,000. We will continue to keep you apprised of your expenditures.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Christopher Edley

October 1, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
Division of National Affairs
Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Chris:

As you will see from the enclosed letter we have increased the travel funds for T. T. Williams by $1,000. I do believe this increase is justified on the basis of his recent activities and production.

This will mean that the total costs by SRC of Williams's work; salary, travel, and insurance, will be slightly in excess of $26,500 and this is the amount which we would appreciate having from the Foundation at your convenience.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM October 1, 1968

To: Members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee

From: James M. Dabbs, Chairman

As you know, we are scheduled to meet at the Southern Regional Council office at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 19.

I hope you can be there and that you will be prepared to discuss the several books we have received, and any other writing you may desire.

I also hope you will be thinking about the kind of award to give. We are precluded from making it monetary. Some kind of plaque has been suggested. It would be most helpful if you would give some thought to the inscription to be placed thereon. Anything the Committee could suggest would be helpful to the staff, which, presumably, would make the final arrangements for such an award.

I look forward to seeing you on the 19th.

- o -

October 1, 1968

Miss Eleanor A. Eaton
Assistant Secretary
Community Relations Division
American Friends Service Committee, Inc.
160 North Fifteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19102

Dear Eleanor:

A combination of factors, including the Ford Foundation and serving on the present Grand Jury have completely upset my schedule. It is for this reason that I have been unable to make the visit to Philadelphia.

Please know that my failure to do so is based on no lack of interest. I shall call you soon in the hopes that we can establish a date to get together.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony

October 1, 1968

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
United Negro College Fund, Inc.
55 East Fifty-Second Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Dr. Wright:

This is to acknowledge your letter of September 19, which was forwarded to me from the Field Foundation.

I am delighted to accept your invitation to participate at a Symposium on "Negro Higher Education - The Key to Equality," scheduled for December 3 in Washington, D. C.

I am looking forward to you call to discuss subject matter.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis.

JL/rh

October 2, 1968

United Electrical, Radio and Machine
Workers of America - UE Local 1111
939 South Second Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53204

Dear Sirs:

Please have my mailing address changed from 825 Extension Building, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 to the following:

Mr. Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.

Yours truly,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

October 2, 1968

Mrs. Ralph Williamson
1165 Tuckawana Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Please give us the names of the guests whom you plan to bring to the workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned, October 23-24, Atlantan Hotel, 111 Buckie Street, N. W. For your convenience a card is enclosed.

See enclosed letter for time schedule information.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosures 2

October 2, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mrs. James Stokely
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee 37821

Dear Mrs. Stokely:

I tried to reach you by phone this morning to tell you that The Fellowship of the Concerned is having its silver-anniversary workshop on October 23-24 at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

The general subject this year is "1968 - Human Rights Year." The first session begins at 9:30 a.m. on the 23rd and we will close at noon the next day.

We need you very greatly in our celebration. We want someone to write our story of what we are doing and noone could do it better than you. Please calleme at 522-8764 as soon as possible and let me know if you can come.

Remember, we take care of your hotel and meals while you are here.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 2, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on
Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

I will be in Mississippi October 11-16 as part of a team reviewing the Mississippi Research and Development Corporation for the Ford Foundation. I assume we will be spending a great deal of time with the officials of the Corporation, however, my chief function is to determine the role of the poor and the independent black community leaders in policy making and program development.

I will be arriving in Jackson on the morning of the 11th and will check in at the Sheraton Inn on highway 51.

I hope to see you and Mary next week.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

October 2, 1968

Dr. Ralph Abernathy
Southern Christian Leadership
Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Dr. Abernathy:

The Fellowship of the Concerned will have its annual workshop on October 23-24, Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, Atlanta.

Our general subject is "1968 - International Human Rights Year." The first session begins at 9:30 a.m. on the 23rd. The whole morning will be devoted to facing facts and conditions that need corrections if 1968 really becomes another National Human Rights Year.

We need you very much to be with us and to share with us how your organization is helping to build a nation free from hate and prejudice.

In the afternoon we'll have workshop groups and, if you can be in one of the groups as an advisor, we will appreciate it.

Please let me hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 2, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

Paul has asked that I send on to you the enclosed proposal for the Washington Research Project. → Prepared by Mabe Chanin of Clark College

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

October 2, 1968

Mr. McNeill Smith
700 Jefferson Standard Building
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mac:

Will Allred has been written concerning a meeting with the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Council as enclosed.

Concerning your inquiry, no effort was made on the part of the special committee, which made recommendations to the SRC Executive Committee, to reach any of the board of the North Carolina Council. One member of the special committee did have several telephone conversations with Will prior to the meeting. The most recent of these was a very long conversation with Will on the night before the special committee met. It was only causually mentioned by one of the directors at the special committee meeting that several members of the North Carolina Board had complained about their lack of involvement in, or knowledge of, the activities of the North Carolina Council. This was mentioned again, and as I recall rather incidentally, when the report was made to our Executive Committee.

Should you find it convenient to attend the North Carolina meeting on October 19th, Ken Dean, Director of the Mississippi Council, can be present also. It was Ken who took the major responsibility of getting information from Will and of reporting that information to the special committee. His report, in turn, largely was the basis of the recommendations made. Therefore, should the two of you discuss this matter with the North Carolina board, I believe you should rely on Ken to give his accounting of the reasons the committee took the actions it did.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 2, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human
Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

The delay in answering your letter of September 24th has been due to the fact that I have another commitment on October 19, and have attempted to work out some other representation for a meeting with you and your Executive Committee.

Unfortunately, Raymond Wheeler also is unable to meet with you on the 19th. Of the other North Carolina members of our Executive Committee, M cNeill Smith was present at our meeting when the action on North Carolina was taken. I also think it highly desirable to have at least one of the state directors who served on the special committee present whenever this matter is discussed with your policy leadership. I have talked with Ken Dean and he is aggeeable to a trip to North Carolina.

It seems to me we have two alternatives: (1) to re-schedule a meeting when I, Raymond Wheeler, and one or more of the state directors can meet with your Executive Committee; (2) to have McNeill Smith, if he is available, and Ken Dean, who can be present, meet with your group on the 19th. Since time is short, let me know which of the two alternatives you want as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Moses Burt
bc: Dr. Raymond Wheeler
Mr. Kenneth Dean
Mr. McNeill Smith

October 2, 1968

Mr. Mordecai C. Johnson
TEAM
Employment and Advancement
for Minorities
P. O. Box 1015
22A E. Coffee Street
Greenville, South Carolina 29602

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Jim Wood has shared with me your moving letter on your decision to practice law in South Carolina. I wonder if you would mind if I quoted from it, either using your name or not using it, depending on how you feel, in a book about the South I am working on. Please let me know.

We met briefly when you were through here some time ago. I think your letter is eloquent, and I am glad of your decision. Good luck in what you will be doing.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:gs

October 2, 1968

Hugh Graham
Associate Director
Institute of Southern History
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Hugh:

Thank you for sending me the information about senior fellowships at the Institute. I think we have discussed the whole thing by phone since I received it. I would appreciate your sending the same information to Miss Very Rony, 18 Avery Drive, Atlanta. She is a labor historian, very bright, yankee. Re: Hayes Mizell. Yes, I know him. He is a very good guy. He has done all that you said in your letter, and more.

Please send me instructions about how much time Mike Flusche is supposed to spend working for SRC and how much on his dissertation. A rough estimate would help plan what he is to do. I hope to apprentice him to Joyce Meekins, who is in charge of our files, so that he can both help her and learn the best filing system in order to apply it to the vast heaps of old material we have lying around.

Regards to Ann.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

October 2, 1968

Professor Beryl Butterfield
318 Fourth Street
New Westminster
B. C., Canada

Dear Professor Butterfield,

I am sure you are familiar with C. Vann Woodward's Origins of the New South, Louisiana State University Press, Baton Rouge, 1951. His bibliography will give you locations of collections of material on the South in the 1890's. More recent studies are likely to be available at the new Institute of Southern History, located at the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland 21218. David Donald is director of the Institute.

Please plan to visit the Council while you are in the Atlanta area. We can discuss collections of materials located here in the city when you visit.

I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Director of Research

October 2, 1968

Mr. Warren J. Wicker
Assistant Director
Institute of Government
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Jake:

It was a pleasure meeting you at Kanuga and a privilege to have been included in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Seminar. The idea was good and I hope that much was accomplished during the Seminar.

If your travels should bring you through Atlanta, please stop in to see us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

October 3, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
N.C. Voter Education Project
336½ East Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Enclosed are two photographs of Julian Bond. We would appreciate it if you would return them as soon as you have no further use for them.

Also enclosed is a clipping on North Carolina voter registration requested by Bill Towe.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 3, 1968

Miss Ann Delaney
"Black Journal"
National Educational Television
Room 2070
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York 10019

Dear Miss Delaney:

Enclosed are the materials promised to you by Marvin Wall.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 3, 1968

Mr. Bayard Rustin
A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund
217 W. 125th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Bayard:

The expenses incurred in our joint conference were $2,514.49 to the Biltmore Hotel and $2,314.15 travel expenses for participants. This is a total of $4,828.64.

We have included no expenses incurred by this office or its staff. If we could have your check it would be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

October 3, 1968

Dr. Hugh Brimm
Office of Civil Rights
Department of HEW
50 - 7th Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Dr. Brimm:

As per your telephone request this morning, we are enclosing a partial list of Negro organizations in the city. We make no pretense that this is a complete list but it should be of some value to you.

If we can be of any further assistance, please feel free to call on us.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

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October 3, 1968

Quick Copy Department
Ivan Allen Company
221 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Please make us 3,000 copies of the attached, black on white, and deliver.

Reduction to 8½ x 11 will be O.K.

Yours truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enc.

October 3, 1968

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger
Chairman
Commission to Study the Organization
of Peace
866 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Eichelberger:

In reply to your letter of September 26, I wish to assure you that we will pay travel expenses, hotel and entertainment, and an honorarium of $100.00.

Please give us the title of the speaker, and we would like a biography also.

Please let us hear from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 3, 1968

Rep. Fletcher Thompson
House Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman:

This is to follow up a telephone conversation I had this week with Mr. Ashworth regarding Mr. Edward Moody of Atlanta.

As I explained to Mr. Ashworth, it was I who extended to Mr. Moody the invitation---which was never firm or final---to visit Russia. I extended the invitation on behalf of Mr. Stephen D. James, executive director of the Citizen Exchange Corps in New York. Mr. James explained to me, by telephone, that he wished to involve a black grassroots leader from a low-income area in his exchange program.

As I told Mr. Ashworth, the whole idea was highly tentative, and I have not heard from Mr. James in the last three or four weeks. As for the involvement of federal funds, I am quite certain that there is none, since Mr. James mentioned to me on several occasions his efforts to raise private funds for his exchange programs. There is no involvement, either, of Mr. Moody's organization, Model Neighbor, Inc.

I hope this will clear up any questions that might have been raised in this matter. If any further information is needed, I will be happy to try to supply it.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/ggp

cc: Mayor Ivan Allen
Mr. Edward H. Baxter
Mr. Clarence Coleman
Mr. Edward Moody
Dr. C. Miles Smith

October 3, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice President
The Ford Foundation
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

Attached is a proposal to The Ford Foundation for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

The Conference will culminate the second Voter Education Project. Hopefully, it willmmark the beginning of another three-year Voter Education Project which will place major emphasis on servicing black elected officials in the South in addition to new programs of leadership training, citizenship education, and voter registration, support for statewide voter education projects, student internships and reaearch and information.

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setting are right for such a meeting in that it will avoid the politics of the presidential campaign and yet will help those newly elected officials who will take office at the beginning of the year.

This conference promises to be an historic occasion and a first in American politics. Given the present national scene, the election to public office of black men and women in the South is the brightest and most encouraging aspect of the nation's politics.

To this end, the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council respectfully requests the support of the Ford Foundation in the amount of $20,000.00 for the southwide meeting.

If additional information is needed, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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October 3, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
100 - 86th Street
New York, New York

Dear Vernon:

Attached is a proposal to the New World Foundation for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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If additional information is needed, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 3, 1968

Mr. John Simon
President
The Taconic Foundation
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

Attached is a proposal to the Taconic Foundation for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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If additional information is needed, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 3, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Trough
Executive Director
Joint Foundation Support
575 Madison Avenue - 19th Floor
New York, New York 10022

Dear Betty:

Attached is a proposal to The Joint Foundation Support for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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October 3, 1968

Mr. David R. Hunter
Executive Director
The Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Dave:

Attached is a proposal to The Stern Family Fund for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 3, 1968

Mr. Louis L. Truesdale, Jr.
3217 Cornwall Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Dear Mr. Truesdale:

In addition to the information sent you, I would like to suggest that you read The Ordeal of Desegregation by Reed Sarratt. This book gives a full account of how the people of the southern states confronted, through the first decade, the decision to desegregate the public schools.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 3, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Wilson
P. O. Box 91
Fieldale, Virginia 24089

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I am sure the pamphlets you want are called The Negro and Higher Education in the South, published by the Southern Regional Education Board. This pamphlet is a statement by the commission on Higher Educational Opportunity in the South. You can obtain these pamphlets by writing the SEB at 130 Sixth Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30313.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 3, 1968

Miss Debbie Schoenfeldt
Holy Name School
934 Clay Street
Topeka, Kansas 66606

Dear Miss Schoenfeldt:

Under separate cover, I am sending you a bibliography of books that may be appropriate for school libraries at the various age-grade levels on Negro history; a bibliography of important Negroes in all fields of endeavor, past and present; fictional works by and about Negroes; and a list of the schools that are teaching Negro history.

I am also sending you a copy of Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis and our latest publications list.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 3, 1968

Mr. Phil Sorenson
Irwin, Sweeney, Miller Foundation
301 Washington Street
Columbus, Indiana 47201

Dear Phil:

Attached is a proposal to The Irwin, Sweeney, Miller Foundation for support of a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, December 11-14, 1968, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

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If additional information is needed, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 4, 1968

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

I have accepted an engagement to speak at Tampa on Saturday evening, October 12th, and shall plan to arrive from Tampa to Daytona either late Saturday night or, more likely, early Sunday morning. I will be at your home at 9:45 a.m., unless you indicate you would like to have me earlier.

Because of travel complications I have decided it will be simplest to use my car and drive the entire trip, and it will be necessary for me to be back in the office on Monday. Therefore, could we plan on my having lunch with you and anyone else you shall have, and perhaps trying to talk with Mrs. Banks

at that time or earlier in the afternoon. I would like to be on my way back to Atlanta by mid-afternoon if at all possible.

Again, I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 4, 1968

Dr. Kenneth B. Clark
Director
Metropolitan Applied Research
Center
60 East 86th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Ken:

This will confirm my invitation to you to speak at the Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials we are sponsoring here in Atlanta at the Dinkler Hotel, December 11-14, 1968.

You are listed for the first luncheon session on Thursday, December 12, at 12:30 p. m. Julian Bond will have opened the conference with an address at dinner the night before, and that morning Dr. Samuel Cook will direct our attention to historical considerations in the area of Negro political involvement in the South.

It would seem in order for you to direct your remarks, with approximately 45 minutes available to you, to such general considerations of the current scene as you may feel are relevant to black elected officials in the South who will range from unsophisticated Justices of the Peace in rural areas to big city state legislators.

Concurrent workshops for the various categories of officeholders will begin Thursday afternoon following your luncheon address. Would you be able to stay on with us for that session and act as the chief resource person in the workshop for School Board members?

Indeed, we hope you may be able to observe most or all of the conference, an occasion which should be filled with much of the raw material of changing times in the South. Let us know when you will arrive and how long you can stay, and we'll meet you and have a suite booked for you at the Dinkler.

I very much appreciate your consenting to do this in view of your very heavy schedule and demands on your time. Suffice it to say, we need you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

Same letter to: Phil Sorenson, Mike Sviridoff, John Simon
Vernon Eagle, and Elizabeth Troubh

October 4, 1968

Mr. David R. Hunter
Executive Director
The Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York City 10016

Dear Dave:

In support of our proposal to the Stern Family Fund for a southwide meeting of black elected officials, on December 11-14, 1968, enclosed are copies of conferences conducted for black elected officials in the South by the Voter Education Project, during its current three-year program.

If you have any further questions, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

October 4, 1968

Miss Kay L. Cothran
327 South 44th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

Dear Miss Cothran:

I am sending a xerox copy of a Lem Griffis booklet -- which includes the "Hitler's Dream" poem. I picked up the booklet from him when I was a newspaperman in the 1950's. I don't remember any of the interview I had with him at the time, but if you don't receive impressions and anecdotes from other Georgians (and I would be surprised if you don't), I'll be happy to dig through my old notes and try to find whatever I wrote down about him. The Okefenokee Swamp Park in Waycross, Georgia, and the Waycross Journal would both be appropriate places to write asking for Griffis lore.

I am glad you are doing this kind of research; I hope you can get through the jimcrackery of much of the swamp lore to the real flavor and the essential dignity of the swamp people. A thing that has interested me is that to an untrained ear, the accent of the swamp people I have talked with sounds the same as the accent of North Georgia mountain people. Both emerged at about the same time from isolation that had lasted since Elizabethan English was a heavy influence in speech.

Anyhow, I hope this will be helpful. I would be very much interested in seeing your study when it is done.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl.

October 4, 1968

Mr. Milton Blanton
Department of Economic and
Market Analysis
Program Coordinating and
Service Division
Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Peachtree Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Blanton:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on Negro teachers in the South. The United States Office of Education collected these figures in February, 1967. School officials say they no longer keep any of their records by race. The names of Negro elected officeholders in the South is also enclosed. There are more than 280 at the present, but there will be more after the November elections.

The combined figures for Negro policemen and firemen are 248 for white policemen and firemen, 1,210. There are 1,458 firemen and policemen in the greater Atlanta area. Mr. John Boone and students from Atlanta University are working on a special report about these men, and as soon as it is completed, I will send you a copy.

Thanks for calling, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 4, 1968

Miss Sarah Gamble
Manchester Township Public Schools
Post Office Box 6
Lakehurst, New Jersey 08733

Dear Miss Gamble:

Under separate cover, I am sending you a bibliography of books that may be appropriate for school libraries at the various age-grade levels on Negro history; a bibliography of important Negroes in all fields of endeavor, past and present; fictional works by and about Negroes; and some of the schools that are teaching Negro history.

Also enclosed is a copy of Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis and our latest publications list.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 4, 1968

Mr. Hartmut Fege
Lutheran Theological Seminary
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Mr. Fege:

In reply to your request, I am enclosing some materials which hopefully will be of some assistance to you. In about a month, the Council will publish a study dealing with the freedom-of-choice plan, and as soon as it is off the press, I will forward a copy to you. I think it will assist you in your interpretation of the "legalities" of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In the meantime, may I suggest you read, Southern School Desegregation 1966-67, a report of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, which was published in July of 1967. You may obtain a copy by writing to the U. S Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D. C. 20425.

For further information, I recommend you write one or all of the following:

Mr. Hayes Mizell
c/o Institute of Southern History
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Regional Civil Rights Director
Department of HEW, Region IV
Peachtree-Seventh Building
50 7th Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Southern Education Reporting Service
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee 37312

See the enclosed article by Mr. Mizell, now on leave studying at Johns Hopkins University.

We hope we have been of service to you and do feel free to call on us again.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Barnetta Jackson
Research Assistant

BJ:js

Encl.

October 4, 1968

Mr. Scott Hayman
Textile Workers Union of America
2525 Commonwealth Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Hayman:

We are delighted to have you present the problems of the textile workers to the Fellowship of the Concerned of the Southern Regional Council.

The dates of the workshop are October 23-24. The place of meeting is the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

The opening session is at 9:30 a.m. on the 23rd and it is during this session that we want you to speak. We hope you can remain for the afternoon to be in one of the discussion groups, if you cannot remain until noon of the 24th.

We will make your hotel reservations for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 4, 1968

Mrs. Oliver Sale, Jr.
5695 Long Island Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Sale:

This is your invitation to attend the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned, beginning at 9:30 a.m. October 23 and closing at noon on the 24th.

The general subject this year is, "1968 - International Human Rights Year." We will have several speakers and you will not want to miss them.

As always, we will have a banquet the first evening, October 23. We know that some of you would not want to come alone so we invite you to bring your husband or a friend. If you would prefer to spend the night at the hotel, we'll make a reservation for you -- but you must let us know quickly. Please call me, or my secretary, Ruth Howard, at 522-8764. We need to have our count as complete as possible by October 18.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 4, 1968

Mrs. Victor Yeargen
120 Westmore Road
Rome, Georgia 30161

Dear Mrs. Yeargen:

First of all, it was a joy to all of us at Haygood to have you as our speaker at our organization of the Women's Society.

We are shaping up our program for the workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned and we are asking you to lead our morning worship on the 24th--about 20 minutes. Also we want you to be a resource person in one of the discussion groups on the first afternoon--the 23rd.

We begin at 9:00 on the first day and close at noon the next day. If you feel it would be easier for you to come the night of the 22nd, let us know and we will make your reservations for you.

While we do not have travel funds, we do take care of room and board.

The Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W. is the hotel for small conventions and is very nice and quite, and a friend to our group.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 4, 1968

Mrs. W. M. Thurman
3010 Habersham Road, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

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Hope you can come.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Copy for JBM ?

October 5, 1968

Mr. Alfred M. Pelham
Great Lakes Mutual Life
Insurance Company
8401 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48202

Dear Al:

It was good to talk with you yesterday, but I regret that another long distance call I had begun when we made connections, curtailed my end of it.

We very much hope you can accept our invitation to appear on a panel on Revenue and Taxiation and the Elected Official at our Southwide Conference for Black Elected Officials here in Atlanta at the Dinkler Plaza Hotel on Friday, December 13, at 9:00 a. m. We would provide for your travel and hospitality, and a modest honorarium of $100.00.

The other panelists we are inviting are Mr. Gerald Lamb, Treasurer for the State of Connecticut, and Mr. Theodore Jones, Director of Revenue for the State of Illinois. There may be another panelist active in governmental finance from some southern city.

Naturally, we would be glad to have you attend as much of the conference as you can. We will begin with dinner on Wednesday evening, December 11, and close with lunch on Saturday. However, if you are only able to make it for the Friday morning session, it will be our pleasure to have you.

I shall await your response. If you can come we will make plans for your hospitality at the hotel and meet your plane at whenever time you can come.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 7, 1968

Dr. and Mrs. Martin Luther King, Sr.
Ebenezer Baptist Church
413 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Friends:

The Fellowship of the Concerned, which is the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council, will have its annual workshop on October 23-24.

We want you two great people to be our honored guests through it all, if possible.

It begins at 9:30 a.m. on the first day. We will eat our lunch in the hotel restaurant and you sign your meal ticket Southern Regional Council or Mrs. M. E. Tilly.

In the afternoon there will be discussion groups. You could sit in on one or two and you would be heartily welcomed.

The night session begins with a banquet, followed by features of the Synagogue and the church at work. Next day we have our United Nations speaker.

As I told you over the phone, we are making three scrapbooks of the martyr of Dr. King. One is for you and Mrs. King, and one is for the four children. We are dedicating the books to them (see enclosed).

We need three kodiak pictures of the four children.

My blessings are on you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosure

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY October 7, 1968

Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
Publisher
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Herbert:

Enclosed is a photography and biographical data. The subject of my talk will be, "The White Southerner and Race - 1968."

Again, I look forward to seeing you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
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October 7, 1968

Mr. J. Edwin Standfield
Executive Director
Southwest Intergroup Relations Council
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78750

Dear Ed:

Your thoughtful cartoon has been enjoyed by all. I really don't see how you find all of these things!

You are really missed around SRC. I hope after you have been farmed out for 2 years, I may have a personal report.

Best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/mv

October 7, 1968

Mr. Gerald Freund
Associate Director
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Freund:

We have prepared the attached announcement for release to the regional press. I would appreciate your letting me know if it conforms with your policies, and whether it may be released at this time.

I have one other question of present and future concern -- may the grant be mentioned in notes on the author that might accompany articles by me in national magazines, or in a book by me?

I am sorry I missed seeing you when I was in New York in August.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

Pat Watters, director of information of the Southern Regional Council, has received a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation to provide him an uninterrupted time for writing.

Mr. Watters will be on leave of absence from the Southern Regional Council during the year of 1969 to work full-time on a book and articles about the South.

He was co-author with Reese Cleghorn of Climbing Jacob's Ladder, a study of Negro voter registration in the South in the early 1960's and its impact on southern politics, published in 1967 by Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc. He is currently at work on a book about the South, and his articles have appeared in a number of national magazines.

Mr. Watters has been with the Southern Regional Council since 1963. He was a newspaperman for the previous eleven years.

October 7, 1968

The Washington Post
Subscription Department
1515 L Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Sirs:

Please cancel the subscription ordered in the name of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, effective immediately, and make the necessary rate adjustment.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

October 7, 1968

Mr. C. Rl Locke, Director
National Conference of Bar Examiners
American Bar Center
1155 East 60th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637

Dear Mr. Locke;

Mr. Kenneth Merrill Horwitz was an intern at the Southern Regional Council during the summer of 1967. While he was here he co-authored an analysis of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals' Jefferson County school desegregation decision. The analysis is to be published by the Southern Regional Council as a part of a general survey of school desegregation.

In my opinion Mr. Horwitz is of good moral character, is competent and well-trained in legal matters, and is quite fit for the practice of law.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Director

cc: Kenneth Horwitz

October 7, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Raymond:

I trust you have the Clark College document by now.

By all means Bob Valder is invited to the meeting.

You will be interested to know that Will Allred and a delegation will be here in Atlanta on the afternoon of the 17th.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mr. Norman Perlstein
Executive Director
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 40th Street
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Regrettably, I have a meeting here on Saturday, so I would not be able to come to Louisville on Friday. I still will be available late that afternoon by the telephone.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mr. David W. MacEachron
Chairman, Fellowship Committee
The American Friends of Wilton Park, Inc.
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. MacEachron:

I deeply regret that I will be unable to attend the meeting on October 22nd.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mrs. Ruth S. Golden
President and Publisher
The Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Golden:

While I certainly understand, I regret that you are unable to join the Council this year. Your name will certainly be broggt before future Nominating Committeee.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mrs. Nancy Sherwood Truitt
International Development Foundation
205tE. 42nd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Nancy:

How good to hear from you. Certainly, we will do anything possible to help Miss Moss.

Warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Your folder has already been sent. Please thank Carol for the interesting article.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

Mr. Ben Neufeld
9911 DePaul Drive
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

Dear Ben:

I will be in Washington on the afternoon of October 16th, and can probably be reached through the Potomac Institute. Other than that, I don't see a time when I can get to Washington this month.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 7, 1968

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of Atlanta
Georgia

My dear Mayor Allen:

Pursuant to my telephone conversation with your assistant, Mrs. Moses, the other day, this is to renew our invitation for you to bring greetings from the City of Atlanta to the South-wide Conference of Black Elected Officials, which we are sponsoring here at the Dinkler Hotel, December 11-14, 1968.

As I understand it from Mrs. Moses, your calendar is already filled for the night of our opening dinner on Wednesday, December 11. There is a possibility I believe, however, that you might make an appearance at the morning session the next day, December 12.

Our session on Thursday, December 12, will start at 9:00 a. m. in the Sky Room at the Dinkler. After your greetings, if you are able to make it, we will hear an address from Dr. Samuel D. Cook of Duke University on "The Role of the Negro in Southern Politics Over the Years, and up Until the Present."

We would be happy to have you with us that morning or for as much of our program as you are able to attend.

John Morris, coordinator for the conference, will be calling you closer to the conference dates to ascertain if we may have the pleasure of a visit from you during our proceedings.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 7, 1968

Mr. Julian Bond
162 Eurahlee Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Julian:

Thought you might want this.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mc
Enclosure

October 7, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed are the Xerox copies of your reports and the registration statistics you requested.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mc
Enclosure

October 7, 1968

The Reverend C. Anderson Davis
NAACP of Houston
2206 Dowling Street
Room 209
Houston, Texas 77003

Dear Mr. Davis:

Mr. Rougeau has asked me to write you to confirm his plans to participate in the NAACP of Houston's Voter Education Conference on Saturday, October 12. I am enclosing a copy of his vita sheet and a photograph.

At Mr. Rougeau's request, I am also sending you 100 copies of "Know Your Rights" under separate cover.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Margaret Chanin
Secretary to Mr. Rougeau

/mc
Enclosure

October 7, 1968

Mr. Harry McPherson
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harry:

I very much appreciate your efforts in our behalf in discussing with the President the possibility of his addressing our Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials in mid-December.

Please convey to the President our sincere regrets that he is not able to accept our invitation and our appreciation for his giving it the consideration he did. Our earnest hope that he might have been able to come is but a token of our continuing respect for what he has done to further the cause of justice and equal rights for all people.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 7, 1968

Mr. Stephen S. Birdsall
Assistant Professor of Geography
Department of Geography
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Birdsall:

I have delayed answering your letter of September 23, 1968, while working on a publication of county-by-county registration figures by race in seven Southern states. I hope to have this publication available to mail to you by the latter part of this week.

There are four states for which we do not have county-by-county figures by race. These states are Texas, Tennessee, Arkansas and Virginia. I hope, however, that the figures we have for the seven states will be helpful to you.

I am enclosing a map prepared by the Southern Regional Council which gives the percentage of Negro population in each county in the South.

Please give our regards to Professor Matthews. Certainly we will be most interested in seeing the results of your study.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/ggp

Enclosure

October 7, 1968

Mr. H. K. Charlesworth, Director
Office of Development Services
and Business Research
College of Business and Economics
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Chuck:

It was good to meet you in Lexington and to learn more about the plans for the Labor Education Centers.

I trust that the Owensboro class will go well and I look forward to teaching with the group there.

Please give my regards to Bill. I forgot to suggest to him that it would be useful to have some sort of folder with five or six blank sheets for each student as a notebook. They could add my mimeographed handouts to their notes.

Enclosed is a statement of my travel expenses and accompanying receipts.

Yours truly,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

Enclosures

October 8, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Chris:

I did not mean to imply in sending you and Basil the Williams figure of $26,500 that we needed the funds immediately. We can wait quite comfortably until next year for them. It had simply been my understanding that you wanted this figure to incorporate into our final grant proposal figure.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Basil Whiting

October 8, 1968

Mr. James E. Heard
Lawyers Constitutional
Defense Committee
603 North Farish Street
P. O. Box 3568
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Jamie:

It's a real pleasure to hear from you and to hear about your work in Mississippi. I am taking the liberty of passing your letter along to John Lewis, who specializes in coops and rural development programs. I am sure that John will have some useful suggestions to make.

I am asking Miss Smith to supply the publications you requested and enter your subscription to NEW SOUTH.

It is good to know where you are and if we need help out that way, we will certainly contact you. I'll give you a call the next time I'm out that way. Meanwhile, please keep in touch.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

cc: Janet Smith
John Lewis

October 8, 1968

Mr. Robert S. Reynolds
Associate Editor
Reader's Digest Almanac
380 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

It is good to hear from you again.

I am enclosing our latest state-by-state registration figures, reflecting the situation as of the late summer of 1968. I believe this table will supply you with information needed to update your table. You will, of course, wish to change the dates on the bottom of the page from 1967 to 1968. You would be correct in saying that registration is up across the South this year due to both the presidential election and local elections.

I very much appreciate receiving copies of your almanac. If we can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 8, 1968

Mr. Michael Harbison
The Committee For The
Formation Of The New Party
1029 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Room 1101
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Mr. Harbison:

I am pleased to enclose a copy of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign," without charge. I am also enclosing a list of Southern Regional Council publications. If we can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 8, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
President
Houston County Voters League
127 Vicki Lynn Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Silas:

Please send us a brief narrative report when your citizenship education program is completed. This report should state the number of people contacted, the number of programs or classes held, methods used to publicize the program, methods used in conducting the program, any difficulties encountered in conducting the program and your estimation of the results of the program.

Best of luck.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 8, 1968

Senator Mervyn M. Dymally
Old State Building
Suite 113
217 West First Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Merv:

Thank you very much for the information on the UCLA Legal Educational Opportunity Program. I am going to write to Mr. McDermott.

Incidentally, the Outcasts has received fantastic reception in the Atlanta area. The more I see Otis Young, the more I am convinced that he will make a fantastic contribution to black talent on the stage and screen. How is the program doing in California?

Again, thanks for the information and I am looking forward to seeing you in December.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 8, 1968

Mrs. Jeanette Boyd
Post Office Box 70
Tchula, Mississippi 39169

Dear Mrs. Boyd:

We have received your letter of September 23, 1968. Unfortunately we are not in a position to provide you and members of your family with either a job, food or clothing. The only aid we are able to give persons in any community is limited to activities like voter registration drives, citizenship education projects and leadership training seminars.

However, I am forwarding your letter to Mr. Kenneth Dean of the Mississippi Council on Human Relations in Jackson, Mississippi, with hopes that perhaps he will be able to advise you as to how you can possibly get some kind of aid. I do hope Mr. Dean is able to assist you in some way. I cannot promise anything.

I am very sorry we are unable to give you any direct assistance.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

cc: Mr. Kenneth Dean
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

October 8, 1968

Mr. Isao Fujimoto
Assistant Professor
University of California
Davis, California 95616

Dear Mr. Fujimoto:

It was I, Weldon Rougeau, and not Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director of the Voter Education Project, who made a presentation at the Rural Poverty and Community Developemtn Conference in Kansas City. I regret that I did not get a chance to meet you.

The only direct means of communication the Voter Education Project has with "grassroots groups" is through our monthly newsletter. Your name is being added to our mailing list. Aside from that we have no means for intercommunication between grassroot groups. I agree with you that it is essential that some kind of network be set up to fulfill this need.

If you have any publications and/or newsletters that you think would probably be of interest to the Voter Education Project, please include us on your mailing list.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 8, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

Just a short note to tell you that I enjoyed being at your meeting on Saturday, September 25 and thought it was by far one of the best I have attended all year. Congratulations to you and your staff for all of the hard work that went into making it a success.

Take care and please convey my very best good wishes to Charletta.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 8, 1968

Miss Ruth M. Warren
President
Burlington Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 541
Burlington, North Carolina

Dear Miss Warren:

We are in receipt of your letter of September 21, 1968 in which you inquired about a $1,400.00 grant made to the Burlington Branch of the NAACP through Dr. S. B. Thomas. Dr. Thomas did indeed receive a grant letter from us indicating that we had made a grant to the Branch in Burlington. On April 10 of this year, I talked with Dr. Thomas and discovered that not only was the community unprepared to conduct a voter registration drive, Dr. Thomas had also forgotten all about the grant letter. At that time I suggested that Dr. Thomas get in touch with Mr. John Edwards of the North Carolina Voter Education Project in Durham and indicated that perhaps there would be a possibility of funding a project in Alamance County at some other time, providing there was proper organization. I also indicated that we would be guided by Mr. Edwards' recommendation.

Accordingly, we regret to inform you that we cannot honor your request for funds at this time.

Thank you very much for your letter.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

October 8, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

I have talked with Vernon regarding your memorandum to me concerning publication of the pamphlet "How To Register." His reaction to it was favorable. Accordingly we will honor your request for the $325.50 to pay for 5,000 copies of the pamphlet.

However, we would like to have Marvin have a look at the booklet prior to your making final arrangements with the printers. I do hope you are sending us a copy of the booklet for our perusal.

It will not be necessary for us to make a special grant for publication of the pamphlet. You may use funds from your regular account to pay for it.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

cc: Thad Olive

October 8, 1968

Mr. Dennis C. Ware II
P. O. Box 3172
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

Dear Mr. Ware:

This is to confirm my acceptance of your invitation to address the NAACP fourth annual "Fighting Fund for Freedom" Banquet on Saturday, November 9, 1968.

As requested I am sending you a copy of my vita sheet, and copy of the newsletter announcing my employment with the Voter Education Project and a photograph. If you are in need of more information, do let me know.

If you wish to arrange a television interview for me, it is possible for me to be in Lake Charles on the day before the banquet. As your plans regarding this become finalized, do let me know.

Regards to Mr. Floyd.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

File

October 8, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Thad Olive

IN RE: Contribution from Mrs. Alice Spearman to the South Carolina Voter Education Project

This memorandum is to cover the check for $52.00 received from Mrs. Alice Spearman as a contribution. This amount is to be forwarded to the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

Thanks.

TO

File

October 8, 1968

Mr. W.H. Thompson
Phelps-Stokes Fund
22 E. 54th St.
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr Thompson:

Pursuant to our recent telephone conversation, enclosed is the requested information.

Airline tickets purchased	$1,500.45
Ground Transportation and other committee expenses	1,288.13
Total SRC reimbursement	$2,788.58

We appreciate your interest and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

File

October 8, 1968

Mr. Albert Thomas Jr., President
Steward County Voter Education Project
Box 297
Lumpkin Georgia 31815

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter requesting funds to conduct a registration campaign in Steward County. We are delighted to learn of your interest in voter registration; however, we are sorry to inform you that the registration deadline for Georgia was September 16.

You may be certain that we will give your request every consideration in the spring when funding is resumed. We may wish to visit your community and talk with you and others connected with your proposed program.

Again, we are pleased to receive your request and we thank you for sending it.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

Southern [illegible], Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. [illegible] A 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM

October 8, 1968

To: Members of the Southern Regional Council

From: John A. Griffin, Chairman
Special Program Committee

Re: 1968 Annual Meeting.

At last year's Annual Meeting, you passed a resolution requesting the Executive Committee to establish a committee to investigate how members may be involved more actively in the work of SRC and, particularly, how members may have a more active role in the 1968 meeting. That committee was appointed, and I have served as its chairman. After several sessions, we presented our proposal for the '68 meeting to the Executive Committee. The Committee approved our proposal.

It has been said that we could not assemble a group more knowledgeable and concerned about the region than the members of the Council. The program committee believes this is true and has planned a meeting to utilize this talent. Our purpose is basically to provide a meeting designed so that the members will have time to discuss the current situation in the region and the nation and its implication for the SRC and its program. The normal reporting of affairs of the Corporation will be reduced to the bearest minimum possible.

Beginning late in the afternoon of the first day, members will be divided into groups of approximately 15 persons each.

Each group will have a discussion leader, a reporter, and a resource person from the SRC staff. These small groups will meet late Wednesday afternoon and all of Thursday, November 14. The evening of the 14th will be available for continued meeting, if any of the groups wish. In a general final session on Friday morning, November 15, the entire Council will hear reports from each small group, have further discussion, and take such action as the members choose.

For working papers the Committee has asked that several papers be prepared and is making a careful selection of other documents. These will be put in your hands before the meeting.

Under the format outlined here, I believe we have an unprecedented opportunity to share our concerns and ideas, to reassess the role of the Council, and to give meaningful policy direction. I very much hope you will find it possible to attend this important Annual Meeting on November 13 - 15.

Please return the enclosed card to the Council office at your earliest convenience.

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October 8, 1968

Mr. Warren Hinckle III
President and Editorial Director
Ramparts Magazine
495 Beach Street
San Francisco, California 94133

Dear Mr. Hinckle:

The September 28 issue of Ramparts was a masterpiece from cover to cover. This is just a short note to say thank you for an excellent job. It is good to have Ramparts in these very trying and turbulent days.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 8, 1968

Dr. Mack Jones
Department of Political Science
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mack:

I have not forgotten the questionaire you sent two weeks ago. I have been out of the office so much lately until I really haven't had a chance to catch up on my reading. As soon as I have had a chance to read it carefully, I will let you have my reactions.

Do give me a call when you have a chance. Maybe we can have lunch one day.

Regards to Barbara and Lumumba.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 8, 1968

Mr. D. Richard Wenner
Executive Director
National Association for
Community Development
1832 Jefferson Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Dick:

It was a pleasure to have been in Kansas City and I was gratified to know that you felt that I had made a contribution to the conference. It was good meeting you and other members of NACD and I hope I can see some of you again.

Enclosed is the transcription of my remarks at the Kansas City meeting. I made some very minor changes and corrected some words the transcriber seemed to have been confused about. As far as I am concerned, you can handle it any way you see fit.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

October 8, 1968

Mr. Eugene Patterson
Managing Editor
The Washington Post
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Gene:

As you may recall, I'm always behind on letter-writing. I hope it is not too late, however, to add my note of regret about your resignation from The Constitution. Everyone with whom I have talked has expressed dismay about your departure from Atlanta and Georgia. Your steady, strong voice on Page Four will be greatly missed.

While we are distressed to lose you from the region, Gene and I wish you and Sue well in Washington. You join a great newspaper, of course--- one that is widely admired. You know where to yell if you ever need anything down this way.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall

MW:mc

READING FILE

B E T T E R S C H O O L S - A T L A N T A

P. O. Box 4451, Atlanta, Georgia 30302

October 8, 1968

Mrs. Sara P. Mitchell
Board of Education
Atlanta Public Schools
224 Central Avenue, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Enclosed is a comprehensive report on the state of Atlanta Public Schools prepared under the auspices of Better Schools - Atlanta, a citizens' org nization committed to better schools for all Atlanta citizens. We find the inequities in the Atlanta Public Schools thoroughly alarming and request your prompt action to remedy the problems we have exposed.

Our research has revealed that desegregation, both student and faculty, is almost nonexistent. The following figures graphically illustrate the meager progress that has been made:

> If we define as integrated a school with five per cent or more students of the opposite race from the majority, then 95.4 per cent of all black elementary school students this spring were in segregated schools.
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> Only 7.6 per cent of black high school students were in integrated schools.
>
> No less than 97 per cent of Atlanta's black public school teachers are in "black" schools.

Our findings with regard to the equality of education were equally distressing. For example, 44 per cent of black elementary schools (95 per cent or more black pupils) have pupil-teacher ratios of 29 to one or above, while only 14 per cent of the white schools (95 per cent or more white) are similarly handicapped. To our dismay, this type of

situation prevails when black schools are compared with white schools using any number of yardsticks.

By as early as the seventh grade, students in black schools are three years behind students in white schools based on 1967-68 median reading scores. How can Negroes compete for the jobs now opening up for them with that kind of an education? How can we reduce the economic gulf between the white and black communities with such an educational differential prevailing?

Do not misunderstand us. The responsibility for the present state of affairs does not rest solely with the Atlanta Public Schools. But you have an obligation to play a much more aggressive role in assisting with the solution of these problems. An equitable distribution of bricks and mortar is not enough. Even more important is an equitable distribution of teachers and teacher skills, enlightened administration, textbooks, tailored curricula, and effective integration.

It is our intention as concerned citizens, both white and black, to press for a greatly accelerated effort to improve Atlanta's schools. We hope our exposure of the problem will be sufficient incentive for you to take the corrective action needed. We consider it our responsibility to inform the community of the size of the problem and the need for adequate taxes to insure investment in the kind of school system that Atlanta needs and deserves.

We will be looking for your response to this call for action.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Tuve
Chairman
Better Schools - Atlanta

cc: John W. Letson
Encl. - 1.

Same letter also sent to:

Mr. Bill C. Wainwright
Mr. Ed S. Cook
Mrs. LeRoy A. Woodward
Dr. Asa G. Yancey
Mr. Fred M. Shell
Mr. T. Charles Allen
Mr. Robinson W. Schilling
Dr. Horace E. Tate

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October 8, 1968

Mr. J. W. Edwards
Director
Voter Registration Drive
Greene County Civic League
Route 3
Snow Hill North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greene County Civic League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Greene County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $300.00 for a period of two weeks for a crash program to run from October 12 to October 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to two weeks subject to review are the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $15.00 per week	$ 30.00
Twelve (12) Task Force Workers	@ $8.00 per week	192.00
Transportation		78.00
		$ 300.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individaul responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reproting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mc
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

October 8, 1968

Mr. George A. Payton
Attorney at Law
65 Spring Street
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Payton:

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More specifically, though, we would like for you and the others I am writing, to be our special guests at a luncheon session on Friday, December 13, when the subject will be the hard races that must be run.

While the full import of your campaign cannot be told in a few minutes, it will be helpful if you could plan on making brief remarks at that time as to why you ran, and what the experience can mean for the future.

I hope you can be with us for the entire conference, but especially for this luncheon. The Voter Education Project will, of course, cover all of your travel and hospitality expenses while you are here. I will see that a room is reserved for you at the Dinkler Hotel, where we will be meeting, if you will let me know if you can come.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 8, 1968

Mr. Maynard H. Jackson, Jr.
Attorney at Law
2920 Chevelle Lane, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Maynard:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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October 8, 1968

Dr. Reginald Hawkins
1218 Beatties Ford Road
Charlotte, North Carolina

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Director
Voter Education Project

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October 8, 1968

Mr. A. W. Willis
Attorney at Law
Commerce Title Building
Suite 525
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear A. W.:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 8, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
1079 Lynch Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Charles:

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 8, 1968

The Honorable Theodore A. Jones
Director of Revenue
State of Illinois
160 North LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Dear Mr. Jones:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation the other day, I am happy to confirm our invitation to you to address the Southwide Conference, of Black Elected Officials here in Atlanta, at the Dinkler Plaza Hotel on Friday, December 13, 1968, at 9:00 a. m.

The topic for this panel presentation will be "Revenue and Taxation and the Elected Official." Other panelists will include Mr. Alfred Pelham, Chairman of the Great Lakes Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Honorable Gerald Lamb, Office of the Treasurer, Hartford, Connecticut, and possibly one person from the South active in the area of governmental finance.

We will, of course, cover your travel expenses and hospitality while here in Atlanta, and provide an honorarium of $100.00. A suite will be reserved for you at the Dinkler, and we will meet you at the airport if you will advise us of your arrival time.

Naturally, we would be happy to have you come for all or as much of the Conference as you can, in addition to your appearance on Friday morning. We will open with an address by Julian Bond on Wednesday evening, December 11, and go through Saturday lunch. I am sure that the approximately 225 participants we are expecting would welcome the opportunity of meeting you personally and learning something from your extensive experience in the field of government and finance.

So that you may see something of what we have done heretofore in the area of converences and institutes for black elected officials, enclosed are copies of the program for several such occasions.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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October 8, 1968

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Office of the Treasurer
State Capitol
Hartford, Connecticut

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October 8, 1968

Mr. Gary Pavela
Wesleyan University
316 Washington Street
Middletown, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Pavela:

This will acknowledge receipt of your revised manuscript. We will be in touch again, soon.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 9, 1968

The Honorable Edward Kennedy
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Kennedy:

I write to invite you to speak before an unprecedented gathering of Southern public officials which we will convene here in Atlanta, December 11-14, 1968

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council will sponsor a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials at the Dinkler Plaza Hotel on those dates. This will be a culmination of our programs in voter registration and education, leadership training and candidates' institutes.

Indicative of the significance of the conference is the growing number of Negro officeholders in the eleven states the Voter Education Project covers. Prior to the nineteen sixties there were virtually none. In 1965, after the passage of the Voting Rights Act, we counted 72. Now there are some 280 black elected officials, and we expect the total to exceed 300 following the November election.

These public officials fill positions ranging from Justice of the Peace to State Senator. Many are on city councils, county commissions, and school boards, and, an increasing number are being elected to their state House of Representatives. We feel it is timely and propitious now to invite them, at our expense, for a program that will look at problems common to all Negro elected officials in the South, as well as at the specific responsibilities of their respective offices.

We have invited a number of distinguished national and Southern leaders to be on the program, including Representative Julian Bond and Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook of Duke University. Dr. Kenneth Clark will bring us the benefit of his widespread experience. When we turn to the matter of Revenue and Taxation, we will have the assistance of such men as Gerald Lamb, Treasurer of the State of Connecticut, and Theodore Jones, Director of Revenue for the State of Illinois.

It would be an inspiring and fitting conclusion to our proceedings if you would consent to address us at the banquet on Friday evening, December 13, or at a major luncheon session on Saturday, December 14.

Needless to say, many of these elected officials have drawn inspiration from you and your brothers for their own often difficult venture into the realm of public service. Your appearance before them in December would add immeasurably to their readiness to pursue the difficult tasks that remain in bringing the Negro into full political participation in the South.

I am confident, also, that your coming would do much for the promotion of the coalition we must have among white political leaders and the emerging black leadership of the South. Mayor Allen of

Atlanta, who will bring us greetings at the opening of the conference, would undoubtedly be on hand, as would, I expect, certain key leaders in state government here.

I would be happy to visit you at your convenience to tell you more about the work of the Voter Education Project and to lay before you a more complete picture of our plans for this conference. In the meantime, your consideration of our invitation will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

bc: Burke Marshall

October 9, 1968

Mr. Clarence L. Townes,,Jr.
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Clarence:

On December 11-14, 1968, the Voter Education Project will sponsor an unprecedented Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials to which we are inviting the nearly 300 such office-holders our records indicate will fall into this category after the November election.

This gathering is an outgrowth of our programs aimed at encouraging Negro candidates and is but a prelude to extensive plans we are formulating in the area of servicing and assisting elected officials.

We would be highly honored if you were able to attend the conference which, while it is to be non-partisan, will certainly afford an opportunity for you and a spokesman from the other party to bring greetings.

We are in the process now of mapping out the program and will send you more information later. We will have a number of distinguished regional and national political leaders on hand, along with other well known authorities in fields related to the concerns of black elected officials.

I hope you will make your plans to be with us. Let us know id we can reserve a room or suite for you at the Dinkler Plaza Hotel where our sessions will be held.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 9, 1968

Dr. Herman Long
President
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Herman:

I am enclosing proposals for servicing black elected officials in Louisiana and Mississippi submitted by Southern University and Tougaloo College as guideposts as you consider a similar program for Talladega. It is my hope that we can have a proposal from Talladega on or about December 1, so that we can announce a grant by the first of the year.

I trust that these proposals will be helpful.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 9, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Enclosed is the copy of the proposal sent to us by Tougaloo College that I would suggest you look to as a guide as you consider a Southern proposal to the Voter Education Project. You may want to combine the leadership training program for public officials at Southern with the ideas in the Tougaloo proposal.

I will respond in detail to your October 4 memo tomorrow, hopefully.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 9, 1968

Mr. Michael H. Chanin
Director
Southern Center for Studies
in Public Policy
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mike:

Enclosed are the proposals submitted to VEP by Tougaloo College and Southern University. I have not yet read them fully, but they may give you some ideas as you contemplate Clark's proposal for a service center for Georgia elected officials.

The Southern program is, I think, not broad enough and probably costs too much. But again, it does present some ideas as to program possibilities.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 9, 1968

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
825 6th Street, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Wiley:

Pursuant to our conversation today, relative to the Arkansas Voter Education Project's directorship, and the general need for a massive "get-out-to-vote" campaign, enclosed are two flite cheks for your transportation from Washington to Arkansas to accompany Elijah Coleman around the State of Arkansas in a "Crash" get-out-to-vote effort.

As always, we are deeply appreciative of your time and interest.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 9, 1968

Mrs. Richard O. Loengard
Chairman, The Inaugural Committee
Bennett College Symposium
21 East 87th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Mrs. Loengard:

This is to advise that Mr. Jordan will be arriving in Greensboro on the afternoon of October 11 by auto from Durham. I have already made reservations for him at the Statler-Hilton Hotel for that evening.

His presentation will deal with "New Influences on the Politics of the South, and the Challenges that the Negro Woman Faces."

We have received a draft program; however, Mr. Jordan would need to know where these sessions are being held. Mr. Jordan is looking forward to sharing in the Bennett College Symposium.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm

cc: Mr. Chauncey G. Winston
Bennett College

File

October 9, 1968

Rev. Henry Haskins Jr.
607 E. Jackson St.
Demopolis Alabama

Dear Mr. Haskins:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter to Mr. Wall. In order for us to fund your programs we are enclosing a second copy of our reporting requirements and ask that you and members of your organization re-read sections 1, 2 and 3.

May we have this information at your earliest convenience so as not to further impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw
Enclosure

68-169

October 9, 1968

Mr. Theaoseus T. Clayton
Warren County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

Dear Mr. Clayton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Warren County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Warren County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $500.00 for a two week crash program to run from October 12 to October 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to two weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	$ 50.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	50.00
Ten (10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	300.00
Transportation		100.00
		$ 500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slips will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

VEP68-170

October 9, 1968

Mr. Jimmy Morrisey
Director
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Morrisey:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hoke County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Hoke County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $300.00 for a two week crash program to run from October 12 to October 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to two weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $20.00 per week	$ 40.00
Eight (8) Task Force Workers	@ $10.00 per week	160.00
Transportation		100.00
		$ 300.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

October 9, 1968

Mr. Richard W. Smith
Assistant to the Editor
Los Angeles Times
Times Mirror Square
Los Angeles, California 90053

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is to request your permission to reprint in NEW SOUTH the three-part series by Jack Nelson on the Ku Klux Klan. The series ran July 28, 29, and 30. We would want it for the fall issue.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRc Publications

REA,Jr:js

cc: Mr. Jack Nelson
Atlanta Bureau

File

October 9, 1968

Dr. Edwin H. Mitchell, Chairman
Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project
1805-B Jefferson St.
Nashville Tennessee 37208

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

This is to advise you and members of the Middle Tennessee Voter Registration Project that since you did not adhere to the instructions outlined in Mr. Jordan's letter of September 11, we are rescinding the grant made to your organization.

We appreciate your interest, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 9, 1968

Mr. Remel McCoy
South East Regional Office
International Ladies Garment Workers Union
457 Plaster Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Dear Remel:

After talking with Paul Matthais, Director of the South Carolina Council on Human Relations, we have decided that the persons who would be most helpful in discussing Day Care Center problems in South Carolina would be Mrs. Mellie Barlow, Day Care Center Director (OEO), Florence, South Carolina, phone 662-0568; Professor Merril Palmer, Clemson University, office phone 654-2421, extension 434, residence 654-5605.

It could be that A. A. Huggins who is the Executive Director of the OEO programs in Florence could also be of some assistance. His number is 662-2579.

You will note that Mrs. Barlow has been directing a center. Professor Palmer was active in a local council on human relations effort to establish a center.

Matthais reports that it is his understanding that there is no current money available for Day

(OEO)

Care Centers.

I trust this helps. Hope the Legislative Institute went well. Best personal wishes.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

October 9, 1968

Mr. John E. Zuidema, Executive Director
Charlotte Area Fund, Inc.
314 West Trade Street
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Dear John:

Thanks for sending me your personal data sheet and alerting me to your changed situation. I have passed the information around the office.

I have just returned to the Council after a year back at the University of Wisconsin.

Best wishes in your new endeavors.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Education Project

EFV/km

October 9, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: James N. Wood, Jr.

FROM: Emory F. Via

I talked with Dean Glenn Pulver at the University of Wisconsin about suggestions he might have relating to land use, tenure, marketing, and cooperatives.

He suggested Howard Robinson at North Carolina A & T, who evidently spent some time at the University of Wisconsin; Adlow Lawson, International Cooperative Training Center, University of Wisconsin (someone from there has had contacts with southern farm cooperatives relating to Ulmer at an earlier date); and Peter Dormer, Director, Land Tenure Center, University of Wisconsin. I understand that Dormer is quite sympathetic to the proposition that agricultural schools and other agricultural interests have done very little for minorities.

Perhaps the lead through Lawson has already been explored as far as is useful. I don't know Robinson. I think it might still be useful to make some contact with the Land Tenure Center since they have a good bit of international as well as domestic experience.

Trust this is of some use.

EFV/km

October 9, 1968

Mr. Pierson Parker
Caseworker
United States Penitentiary
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Parker:

This letter concerns Mr. Clearance Higgins, registration number PMB 84597, who has requested my support in his endeavors to be paroled in the near future. I have known him for a long time and he was a member of my Group Therapy Program during the early part of his current sentence and during his previous sentence. When he returned to prison the last time, I told him that I would consider helping him when he becomes eligible for consideration for release.

It would help me a great deal if you would send me a report concerning Mr. Higgins present attitude toward himself and how he has endeavored to prepare himself for adjustment in the community. Also please let me know when he will have a hearing before a member of the parole board.

Sincerely,

John O. Boone, ACSW
Director, Project for the Administration of Justice

JOB/mv

Reading File cc

October 9, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Glenda Bartley
Luesta Knox
Bernice Morrison
Kathy Martin

FROM: Emory F. Via

This note will formalize our understanding regarding all labor papers, The Monthly Labor Review, and the B.N.A. loose leaf service, Fair Employment Practices (the covering manila envelope reads "Wages and Hours, Personnel Management, Fair Employment Practices, Bulletin to Management"). All of these will come directly to the Labor Program and will be forwarded to Research where appropriate. The B.N.A. materials will be filed in the binder by Kathy Martin and kept in Via's office. Monthly Labor Review will be scanned and marked for clipping but back issues up to one year will be saved. Labor papers will be scanned and clipped and sent to Labor Program or Research files.

I thank you.

EFV/km

October 9, 1968

The Honorable Julian Bond
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Julian:

In accordance with our earlier conversation, and pursuant to John Morris' conversation with your secretary yesterday, this is simply to confirm our invitation to you to speak at the Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, at the Dinkler Hotel on Wednesday, December 11.

You are scheduled to speak at the opening dinner which will start at 8:00 p. m. I am delighted that you will thus be the conference keynoter, and am confident that this will get us off to a good start.

Naturally, we hope you will be able to attend all or most of the sessions, for it will afford an opportunity for others to meet you more informally. Of such contacts are Vice Presidents made!

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 9, 1968

Mr. Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman
Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

Dear Louis:

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This gathering is an outgrowth of our programs aimed at encouraging Negro candidates, and is but a prelude to extensive plans we are formulating in the area of servicing and assisting elected officials.

We would be highly honored if you were able to attend the conference which, while it is to be non-partisan, will certainly afford an opportunity for you and a spokesman from the party to bring greetings.

We are in the process now of mapping out the program and will send you more information later. We will have a number of distinguished regional and national political leaders on hand, along with other well known authorities in fields related to the concerns of black elected officials.

I hope you will make your plans to be with us. Let us know if we can reserve a room or suite for you at the Dinkler Plaza Hotel where our sessions will be held.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 10, 1968

Mr. Mose Cooper
Route 1, Box 112-C
Sylvania, Georgia 30467

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Your letter to Mr. John Morris has been referred to our research department. Under separate cover, I am sending you some infromation on establishing a low rent housing project. Included in the information is nonprofit sponsorshbp of housing (the pitfalls and potentials); simple questions and answers; case histories; and a bibliography on nonprofit, limited profit, and cooperative housing.

For more information, I suggest you write Mr. James Towney, 1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. Mr. Towney is in charge of low rent housing for Urban America. You can also obtain additional from:

The Joint Urban Program
Episcopal Church Center
815 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 10, 1968

Mr. James Stokely
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee 37821

Dear Jim:

The book is beautiful and I appreciate so much your thinking of me. I haven't had time to do more than glance at it, but I look forward to sitting down and absorbing both words and pictures.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr:js

October 10, 1968

Mr. Edward L. Greenblatt
Hass, Holland, Freeman,
Levison and Gibert
2709 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Greenblatt:

Please send us a copyright registration form for the summer issue of NEW SOUTH, 1968.

Enclosed are two copies of this issue.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

October 10, 1968

Mr. Walter J. Johnson
Walter J. Johnson, Inc.
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10003

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of October 8, explaining your prices and mailing charges.

We are enclosing our check in the amount of $7.89, representing payment for the American Political Science Review, March and June, 1963, issues, Vol. 57, numbers 1 and 2, and postage and handling.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $7.89 check.

(Vol. 57, 1 & 2 @ $3.75 ea.	-	$ 7.50
Postage and handling	-	.39
Total ---		$ 7.89

October 10, 1968

Miss Gwendolyn Osborne
2511 West Allegheny Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19132

Dear Gwen:

Hearing from you was real good. I must admit I was disappointed somewhat to read that you had deserted Bainbridge for Philadelphia. I am sure you often yearn for the bucolic baron from Bainbridge and I am sure he yearns for you, too.

Seriously, it is good to hear that you are back in school and I do hope that you will stay there and finish. Since you are planning to return South, I suppose missing you will not as painful as it would be if you were not going to return to us. Rest assured there will be plenty of work left for you when you return.

There has been absolutely no word from anyone in Decatur County. Hopefully I will go there around the first of the year to see if there is anyone interested in doing voter registration, and I will go there expecting to be disappointed.

I do hope you are enjoying Philadelphia and I hope you will from time to time let me know how you are doing. Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. John Hardy
1117 - 31st Street, South
Seattle, Washington 98144

Dear John:

I, too, was pleasantly surprised to have heard from you. Laurence had told me of your being in Seattle when I saw him on the way to New York a few months ago. It's very good knowing that you are doing well.

I was very shocked to hear of your brother's death and I am sure everyone is still very upset about it. But these things happen and somehow we the living must go on. Try not to take it too hard.

I don't know if I will ever get the opportunity to go to Seattle, but if I am ever there, I will look you up. In the event you are ever in Atlanta, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. My home phone number is 792-8117.

Take care of yourself and please give my very best good wishes to Laurence and to the family.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 10, 1968

Dr. Charles P. Kindregan
Professor of Family Law
Suffolk University Law School
41 Temple Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02114

Dear Dr. Kindregan:

Thank you very much for your letter of recommendation to the University of Illinois Law School. I want you to know that I am very appreciative of this recommendation.

In addition to the University of Illinois, I have also applied for admission to Yale, Harvard and Emory Universities. At this time I am not certain where I will eventually go to school if I am accepted by all of these schools. Perhaps I will not be able to leave Atlanta because of the size of my family and the fact that we are expecting another child in April. I am almost certain I will have some difficulty getting adequate finances for tuition and support of my family, but hopefully I will be in someone's law school in September of next year.

I am enclosing some material pertaining to the organization I work for and am also adding your name to our mailing list, in order that you will be able to receive our monthly newsletter. I hope you find the materials and the newsletter interesting and informative.

Again, thank you for everything.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

File

October 10, 1968

Mr. John H. Wheeler, President
Farmers and Mechanics Bank
Durham North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

This brief note is to ask you if you are aware of any outstanding obligations of the Durham Committee On Negro Affairs. I raise this with you because we have just received bills from the Service Printing Co. in the amount of $143.89 for handbills and from Speight's Auto Service for $323.96.

If these obligations were incufred during the registration drive, funds will be forwarded so that they can be paid.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 10, 1968

Mr. Theaoseus T. Clayton
Warren County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

Dear Mr. Clayton:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials, Do hot hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. Jimmy Morrisey
Director
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Morrisey:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. J. W. Edwards
Director
Voter Registration Drive
Greene County Civic League
Route 3
Snow Hill, North Carolina 28580

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. George Schermer
Consultant in Human Relations
210 A Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Schermer:

This is in answer to your letter of August 10 to Paul Anthony and a similar letter to Ed Stanfield and reflects Mr. Anthony's and my thoughts.

At the present time, we do not know of any banks or other financing institutions in this region which fall under the NCTI qualifications. Further, we do not feel that an accessment until after the November election would be meaningful. If after that time you would want us to take another look at this aspect, we would be glad to hear from you at that time.

With all of the best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/mv

October 10, 1968

Mr. John Zippert
Assistant Director
Southern Cooperative
Development Program
204 Gauthier Road
P. O. Box 3005
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear John:

Thank you for your letter. I am sorry you feel the offer for the manuscript is miserly. I don't think you would feel the same if you were to try to sell it on the magazine market. I suppose that is neither here nor there -- except that as a writer who has put considerable anguish and labor into writing for the magazine market, sometimes for nothing, more often than not for less than we are offering you, I have some feeling about being fair to writers. Having more often than not done writing not for the money but for the sake of getting a message across, I also have the feeling that you have overlooked this advantage to your organization.

This whole situation seems to me to point up one of the real paradoxes about the cooperative movement. On the one hand, you stress the importance of sound business practices, and yet on the other, as in this instance, you cite the use toward which you are going to put funds as justification for demanding more than the market value of a product. To say the least business standards and practices are not my own ideals for the enhancement of the human spirit. But it seems to me that if you organize people in a business, then you demoralize

them by operating the business on other than business principles. Al treats this to some extent in his discussion of the Poor People's Corporation and its efforts to avoid a charity market.

Anyhow, the offer of $200 was made in good conscience on my own professional judgment of the value of a piece of writing. This takes into consideration such factors as the large amount of editing that would be required on it, the fact that it was not commissioned by us and that indeed it was written for college credit and therefore for a different kind of audience than what we will have to tailor it for, and such intangibles as the benefit your organization would derive from its publication.

I hope you will understand how seriously I regard writing; it is my life's work. To act against my own standards on a matter regarding writing would be as demeaning for me as acting against yours on a matter involving your hard-gained understanding of organizing would be for you.

So I can't meet your price of $500, and stand with the offer of $200. We don't begin to recover printing costs (let alone author's fees, postage on free mailings, etc.) from the price we charge people who request copies of various publications. The charge mainly reflects a feeling that the publications have worth, and discourages capricious orders. Often, of course, we provide copies free to individuals and organizations whose use of the publications coincide with ours. For these reasons plus the bookkeeping difficulties that would be involved, I must also say we cannot agree to turn over to you proceeds from sales of the publication.

I think our difficulty in this thing boils down to a difference in view of the purpose of payment for the article. You seem to have thought of it as a way we might contribute to the worthy cause of the co-op. I have thought of it, as I have to, in the same way I think of other articles and reports -- in professional writing terms. I am informed that SRC doesn't have any money at the present time for grants to co-ops, but hopes to have modest sums next year, and that the two organizations you mention in your letter will, as would be expected, be considered for such grants.

That has nothing to do with your report. I would like to use it; it would enhance a report that will be of considerable importance to your cause. But if you still feel otherwise, please let me know, and I will return the manuscript.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: Mr. Charles Prejean
Mr. Al Ulmer
Mr. Lamont Godwin

October 10, 1968

Mr. Hugh M. Thomason
Professor of Government
Western Kentucky University
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Dear Mr. Thomason:

Enclosed is some additional material about increases in Negro registration and Negro officeholders. If you wish additional information, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 10, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of October 3. We will certainly keep Mr. Daye in mind in accordance with your recommendation. We look forward to seeing your school board booklet.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
cc: Vernon Jordan

October 10, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

Today we received a report from the Greensboro project about which you asked. They report 552 people registered in precincts 6, 7, 8 and 29 of Greensboro during the period leading up to October 7. They also sent copies of the materials that they had been using, plus a one page narrative report. If you need any of this Xeroxed, please let me know.

We might be able to use your election day caution sheet in the next issue of the newsletter if you can get it to me right away.

Many thanks,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. Howard Moore, Jr.
Legal Director
Southern Legal Assistance Project
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Howard:

Many thanks for returning the South Carolina census booklet. Always glad to try to help out in any way.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mrs. Amanda Bryant
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas 72342

Dear Mrs. Bryant:

Thank you very much for sending us picture of the senior citizens of Phillips County. We will try to use this picture in the earliest possible issue of our newsletter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 10, 1968

Mr. Richard E. Neustadt, Director
Institute of Politics
John F. Kennedy School of Government
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Dick:

May we enlist your help in getting the Senator to accept our invitation to come to Atlanta. Anything that you can do in our behalf will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 10, 1968

Mrs. Corey B. Venning
1015 East Hyde Park Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60615

Dear Mrs. Venning:

Thank you very much for your letter of recommendation to the Yale University Law School. I appreciate the fine things you had to say about me.

If I am accepted for admission and decide to go to Yale, I will certainly get in touch with you in order that I can get in touch with your son and his wife. I am certain that as young parents we do share similar problems and my wife and I would certainly benefit from their experiences in New Haven.

I enjoyed reading "Alternative in Black and White." When it is published I do hope it reaches a very wide audience. Personally I think you have said many things that are in need of saying, and my only hope is that the people who read this essay will stop to think about what they have read. So often I get the feeling that people refuse to accept the challenges that are posed by reading material of this type, and when I start thinking that way I begin doubting whether man really has the will to deal with the very basic human problems. These are very dark and dreary days, Mrs. Venning.

Enclosed is a copy of a report I helped prepare after three black students were killed in Orangeburg at South Carolina State College. I hope you find it interesting reading. I am also adding your name to our mailing list so you can receive the Voter Education Project's monthly newsletter. I hope you enjoy reading it, also.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc
Enclosure

October 11, 1968

Mrs. Thomas Albright
Route 1
Smyrna, South Carolina 29743

Dear Mrs. Albright:

We'll be happy to have you and the vice-chairman attend the Fellowship of the Concerned workshop, October 23-24, with hotel and meals paid by us.

Please send us the name of the vice-chairman and the date of your arrival as soon as possible, so we may make your reservations accordingly.

The enclosed letters are for your information.

Looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

Enclosures

October 11, 1968

Mrs. Exie Lockhart
Chairman
El Dorado and Union Counties Branch, NAACP
1407 West 19th Street
El Dorado, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Lockhart:

I am returning to you the report for September 16-20, 1968 listing the names and addresses of those registered by your campaign. As requested in my letter of September 5, please consolidate your reports on a single VEP report form and send the form to me. I am enclosing an additional supply of report forms.

Again, best wishes in carrying out your project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 11, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
The Arkansas Council on
Human Relations
1310WWright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

In view of the absence of a director of the Arkansas Voter Education Project, resulting from Ben Grinage's resignation and the loss of Gene Reeder's service, this is to suggest that you become director of the AVEP in addition to your duties as executive director of the Arkansas Council. I believe, based on our conversation in Little Rock, that the two positions can be handled, certainly for a time, by you.

I am suggesting this move, subject to the approval of the Arkansas Council and AVEP board of directors, and until such time that a suitable full-time director for AVEP can be found. I have discussed the matter with Paul Anthony and the VEP staff and they join me in the belief that you are the man, assuming that you will accept the additional responsibility.

Assuming your willingness to accept and approval by the boards, we will approve out of the present AVEP and addition to your salary of $3,500 per year, effective October 15, 1968, to December 31, 1968. In other words, that portion of the grant allocated for the director's salary will go to you at the rate of $3,5000 per year.

The AVEP grant is scheduled to expire at the end of the year. Therefore, we anticipate a proposal from the Arkansas Council to refund the AVEP for another year. In that proposal you should spell out the dual capacities and how the two can facilitate each other without duplication of the effort or program. We would also be receptive to one additional staff person to assist you in the AVEP program. We would like to have the proposal by the 15th of December, in addition to an annual report on the 1968 activities of the AVEP.

Elijah, I trust that this is clear and meets with your approval as well as the two boards involved. We are delighted at the prospect of your joining the VEP entourage. You have always been with us, but now, hopefully, it's official.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 11, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
The Arkansas Council on
Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Elijah:

This comes to support your decision to terminate the services of Mr. Gene Reeder as Assistant Director of the Arkansas Voter Education Project. That is a judgment that only the Arkansas Council can make inasmuch as the VEP grant is directly to the Arkansas Council, which in turn has the ultimate fiscal and administrative responsibility for the VEP.

Surely, we regret the incident but are confident that your "on the scene" decision is the right one, and in the best interest of all concerned.

May I suggest, as you clear up administrative matters relative to Ben's registration and Reeder's termination, that you cancel the insurance policies and other benefits paid for in advance for Ben.

In some instances AVEP may be entitled to rebates. The benefits were to cover Ben only during the time of his employment.

Further, it would seem proper that ypu share this information and action with boards of the AVEP and the Arkansas Council.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 11, 1968

Mr.Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Apt. 103
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

Herewith the first review I have seen of your book. We'll keep our eye peeled for others. I think it's going to be a document that will be read for many years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - 1.

Review of, The American Negro Revolution: From Nonviolence to Black Power 1963-1967 by Joseph Boskin article entitled,"Perspective on Black Revolution," Los Angeles Times, October 6, 1968.

cc: RV

Requested by: MS

ORDERS

to be approved.

October 11, 1968

Indiana University Press
Tenth and Morton Streets
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Environment and Change, edited by William R. Ewald, Jr.

Our check for $4.95 is enclosed for the paperback edition.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $4.95 check.

cc: RV

Requested for Res. Dept.

Approved by PA

October 11, 1968

Michigan State University Press
Box 558
East Lansing, Michigan 48824

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Civil Rights Commission: 1957-1965 by Foster Rhea Dulles.

Our check in the amount of $7.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $.7.50 check.

cc: RV

Requested by: BA

Approved: PA

October 11, 1968

Basic Books, Inc.
404 Park Avenue, South
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Black Rage, by William H. Grier and Price M. Cobbs.

Our check for $5.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $ 5.95 check.

cc: RV

Requested by: BA

Approved: PA

October 11, 1968

Doubleday and Company, Inc.
501 Franklin Avenue
Garden City, L. I., New York 11531

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Tear Down the Walls! by Dorothy Sterling.

Our check for $4.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $4.95 check.

cc: RV

Requested for Res. Dept.
(give to PW when rec'd)

Approved: PA

October 11, 1968

Beacon Press
25 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02018

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, William Styron's Nat Turner, edited by John Henrik Clarke.

Our check for $1.95 for the paperback edition is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.95 check.

cc: RV

Approved: PA

Requested for Res.Dept.

October 11, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us one each of the following:

U. S. Government Organization Manual 1968-69 GS 4.109:968	$ 2.00
Statistical Abstract of the United States 1968	4.75
County and City Data Book, 1967	5.50
Directory of Federal Statistics for Local Areas	1.00
Directory of Federal Statistics for States	2.25
TOTAL -	$15.50

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $15.50 check.

October 11, 1968

Mr. Max M. Fisher
Chairman
National Executive Board
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56 Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Mrs. Jordan and I are delighted to accept your kind invitation to be the guest of the American Jewish Committee at its Annual Executive Board Dinner on Saturday, October 26, at 6:30 p. m. in the Phoenix Ballroom of the Regency Hyatt.

We look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 11, 1968

Mr. D. L. Inman
Publisher and Editor
The Thomasville News
P. O. Box 1013
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Barney:

Congratulations on the great full color in your issue of October 10.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 11, 1968

Mrs. Byrd L. Calhoun
Alumni Records
Alumni Association
Emory University
Atlanta, Georgia 30322

Dear Mrs. Calhoun:

Thanks for your note on my address change. For your further information, I resigned as Professor of Labor Education from the faculty of the University of Wisconsin to accept the position of Director of Labor Program with the Southern Regional Council, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 11, 1968

Mr. Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Brice:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,625.00)

October 11, 1968

The American Federationist
~~AFL-CIO~~
815 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

This is to request a change of address on your records from 825 Extension Building, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 to the following:

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 11, 1968

Department of Public Relations
AFL-CIO
815 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

This is to request a change of address on your records from University of Wisconsin, School for Workers, 825 Extension Building, Madison, Wisconsin 54306 to the following:

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

Enc.

October 11, 1968

Department of Research
AFL-CIO
815 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

This is to request a change of address on your records from 825 Extension Building, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 to the following:

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

Enc.

October 11, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,250.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
1221 N. W. 43rd Street
Miami, Florida 33142

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,375.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,265.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,250.00)

October 11, 1968

The Reverend Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

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Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,475.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B - 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

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Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $3,250.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
214 East Clay Street, Room 310
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check;$3,275.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear John:

Enclosed is your final quarterly payment for the grant-in-aid for 1968.

The absence of a Field Director has slowed up the payment process somewhat. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

Please acknowledge receipt of these funds on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $1,250.00)

October 11, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Scrivner:

In compliance with your secretary's telephone request of today, I'm enclosing the Council's 1967 Audit. As soon as the 1968 Audit is prepared the first of the year, we'll see that the Fund receives a copy.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

October 11, 1968

Mr. F. Procaccini
Island Tree High School
Straight Line
Island Trees 6
Levittown, New York 11756

Dear Mr. Procaccini:

We do not have literature on Negro history, but we have compiled a bibliography of books that may be helpful to you, and the names of some schools that are teaching Negro history.

Under separate cover, I am sending you the above mentioned information, as well as a price list for the books. I hope this proves satisfactory.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 11, 1968

Mr. Francis Vanderwall
Librarian
Saint Peter Clover High School
Grand Coteau, Louisiana 70541

Dear Mr. Vanderwall:

I am sorry but we do not have any literature on Negro history. However, we have compiled a bibliography of books that may be appropriate for school libraries at the various age-grade levels; a bibliography of important Negroes in all fields of endeavor, past and present; and fictional works by and about Negroes, as well as a list of schools that are teaching Negro history. Maybe this is what the Teacher's Guide to American Negro History was referring to when they mentioned us as having information on the subject.

Under separate cover, I am sending you the information mentioned above. I hope it will be helpful to you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 11, 1968

Mr. M. E. Cony
Wall Street Journal
30 Broad Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Cony:

In the October 8 issue of the Wall Street Journal there is an outstanding article by Neil Maxwell titled, "Rural Dixie's Plight." This is to ask your permission to reprint the piece in its entirety in the fall issue of our quarterly magazine, NEW SOUTH.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

RIF

October 22, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
100 East 85th Street
New York, N.Y. 10028

Dear Les:

Following is my comment on the proposal submitted to Field by Ratner, Thompson, Sugerman, Lucas, and Willis.

1. I would question the funding of a private law firm to provide any service other than a strictly legal one. The proposal involves far more than legal advice and assistance. It is basically a program job which calls for creating incentive, recruitment, promotion, research and information, and training. It may well involve discouraging individuals or groups from certain kinds of enterprenuership.

2. What is proposed can best be done by an agency structured for that purpose. In the early days of the poverty programs, funds and staff were available through Small Business Development Centers, like the one established in the Atlanta program. Agencies like MACE, the Tennessee Council, of the Federation of Southern Coops could perform many of the functions outlined. Legal help is available through the neighborhood legal services or from individual attorneys retained for the purpose proposed.

3. As I undestand the Potomac Institute program conducted in Baltimore by Ben Goldstein, provides the same kind of service suggested but has as its base community involvement, training and the like. Surely, lawyers have a role, but I suspect only at times when a lawyer can perform.

4. While the proposal does indicate the nature of the board of the corporation, it would have to have a community base and community favor.

5. The Inc. Fund is evidently giving thought to providing a similar service through its cooperating attorneys. See the attached memorandum.

6. If John Simon's idea of a fund dedicated to expanding economic and housing opportunity gets off the ground some of what it proposed may be duplicated, if I understand John's idea correctly.

7. The five items proposed seem to presuppose that all of the study, planning, education needed to help Negroes "to move into the merchant and businessman levels of society" has been done. Joe Jones, a local man who received the first SBA loan through the poverty program, did not need a lawyer to help him secure the loan as much as he needs technical assistance to show him how to operate a successful business after the loan was made. He is now deeper in debt than he was prior to the SBA loan. He also needed help prior to the SBA loan.

8. Washington Butler (remember him?) is the director of the Memphis CAP and may have some suggestions about the need for such a program in the Memphis community.through his or some other community based organization.

Les, such are my thoughts, scribbled hurriedly this afternoon. I hope they help.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/mw

October 14, 1968

Dr. Victor T. Glass
Department of Work with National Baptist
Baptist Home Mission Board
Southern Baptist Convention
1350 Spring, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Dr. Glass:

Mrs. Carlton Binns has called to tell us that she has inivted you, and some of your associates, to the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned. We are very grateful to Mrs. Binns for extending this invitation.

We are meeting at the Atlantan Hotel, October 23-24. Our general theme this year is - 1968 - International Human Rights Year. The first session begins at 9:30 a.m. on the 23rd, the afternoon session will be discussion groups, and the evening session begins with a banquet at 6:30, to which we especially hope you and your associates will attend.

This is the silver anniversary of the Fellowship of Concerned. Our meetings are both interracial and interfaith, with attendance from the eleven southern states.

We look forward to having you with us.

For further information see enclosed letter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh
Enclosure

October 14, 1968

Mrs. E. G. Davis
Miss Lucille Porter
391 Forrest Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Davis & Miss Porter

The workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned begins at 9:30 a.m. on October 23 at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

We're very grateful to you two for concenting to be hostesses and helping us out. We would like one of you to be at the door to welcome the guests as they arrive, and one of you to direct people to their workshop groups in the afternoon. We will give you the details on these, and any other needed information, before the first session on Wednesday morning.

Looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 14, 1968

Dr. Paul Leslie Garber
423 Glendale Avenue
Decatur, Georgia

Dear Dr. Garber:

We're looking forward to having you at the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned the evening of October 23 to give us a report of "The World Council of Churches."

We hope you will bring Mrs. Garber and come to the banquet which begins at 6:30 p.m.

The place is the Roof of the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

My best to you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 14, 1968

Mr. Hamilton Lokey
Lokey and Bowden
First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Lokey:

We're looking forward to having you with us in the workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned the evening of October 23 and speaking to us on "Peace Through International Law."

We hope you will bring Mrs. Lokey and come to the banquet which begins at 6:30 p.m.

The place is the Roof of the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

My best to you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 14, 1968

Mr. Mark Sedlak
Catering Service
American Motor Hotel
160 Spring, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Sedlak:

This is to follow up our telephone conversation of last week.

We're looking forward to having you with us at the workshop of The Fellowship of the Concerned, the evening of October 23, and speaking to us on Czechoslovakia (about 20 minutes). We also invite you to bring other Czechoslovakians living here in the city. The banquet begins at 6:30 p.m. on the Roof of the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W. Please let us know how many will be in your party.

We want you to know that our hearts go out to the people of Czechoslovakia.

Looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 14, 1968

Mr. Jack Kassewitz
Miami News
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Kassewitz:

This will confirm our conversation of this morning. Basically, as I said, we are interested in civil rights and race related news, i.e., progress and setback in school desegregation, success and failure of civil rights oriented candidates, white and black, developments in the poverty program, activities of the radical right, violence and intimidation. I think the enclosed copy should answer most of your questions as to content.

Deadline, again, will be October 21. Length -- a maximum of 1,500 words.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 14, 1968

Mr. Ralph H. Perry
P. O. Box 303
Lake Alfred, Florida 33850

Dear Mr. Rowse:

Thank you so much for your letter. To answer your question directly, we are not a political action body, so that we could be of no help to you in the campaign of any candidate. We do, of course, stand for -- and shall continue to stand for -- the kind of civilization in the South in which demogogues will be unable to take advantage of people. Our methods shall also remain those of education, careful research, and information.

I would think that if you are interested in associating yourself with people of like persuasion and interests, you might contact the Florida Council on Human Relations, 1221 N. W. 43rd Street, Miami. Like SRC, it is also a non-political organization, but its ideals and humanitarian concepts parallel our own.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA;js/js

Same letter to VEP 68 -149, -150, -151, -153, 152, -154, -155, -156, -157, -158, -159, 160, -163, 165, -166, -167, -168.

October 14, 1968

Mr. Calvin Montgomery Miller
Director of VOTE
Box 30
Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia 23803

Dear Mr. Miller:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

VEP also will expect to receive from your group final statistical and narrative reports covering the duration of your project. These reports must be received not later than November 1. Failure to comply with these requirements will jeopardize your chances of receiving future VEP funds.

It has been a pleasure working with you this years. We hope for your continued success in all your endeavors.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 14,1968

Mrs. Nanvia Holmes
Director
Coffee County Voter Education Project
212 Weaver Street
Tullahoma, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Holmes:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project Will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. Donza Walker
President
Newton County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 75
Newton, Mississippi 39345

Dear Mr. Walker:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

Similar letters ~~copies~~ to VEP 148, 147, 146, 145, 144, 143, 142, 111, 106, 105, 104, 103, 101, 100, 99, 96, 74, 89, 88, 86, 84, 71

October 14, 1968

Rev. F.M. Nixon:
Rt. 1 Box 151
York, Alabama 36925

Dear Mr. Nixon:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. C. C. Bryant
President
Pike County Branch, NAACP
333-B McComb Street
McComb, Mississippi 39648

Dear Mr. Bryant:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

The Reverend William Wallace
The Greenwood Movement
708 Avenue "I"
Greenwood, Mississippi 38930

Dear Mr. Wallace:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer
Chairman
Sunflower County Voter's League
626 East Lafayette
Ruleville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hamer:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P. O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP so complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mrs. Frances M. Nichols
Wilkes County Voter Education Project
Route 1, Box 435
Washington, Georgia 30673

Dear Mrs. Nicnols:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. F. R. Johnson
President
Orange County Branch, NAACP
39 North Parramore Avenue
Orlando, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. Thomas Sutton
Project Director
Lake County Voters League
Leesburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Sutton:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. C. C. Akins
President
Augusta Voters League
Carver Elementary School
Augusta, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Akins:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a yearpend audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mrs. Mattie M. Gray
Route 2, Box 130-A
Aliceville, Alabama 35442

Dear Mrs. Gray:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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It has been a pleasure working with you this year. We hope for your continued success in all year endeavors.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 14, 1968

Mr. John Kelly, Jr.
President
Barbour County Improvement Association
P. O. Box 438
Eufaula, Alabama 36027

Dear Mr. Kelly:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project will make no reimbursements to your account after October 21, 1968. This action is necessary because of the registration deadlines in the region and the need for VEP to complete a year-end audit of its disbursements.

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

Same letter to: Misses Brenda McFee; Mary Ann Martin; Carolyn Ward; Paulette Palmer; Barbara Keown; Mary Jo Eschbaugh; Linda Propps; Jean Nash; and Mr. Jimmy Carter

October 14, 1968

Miss Laurice Yarbrough
2022 Rice Street
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Miss Yarbrough:

In compliance with an agreement between Mrs. Taylor and our field director, Mr. Rougeau, enclosed is our check in the amount of $15.00, to cover services rendered to the Pulaski County Ction Council's Voter Education Project.

We appreciate your efforts in behalf of the Project.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 14, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send one box each of "Voter Registration in the South, Summer, 1968" to the statewide VEPs in Louisiana, North Carolina and South Carolina. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

October 14, 1968

TELEGRAM

TO: Dr. Henry Cobb
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

MESSAGE:

This is to confirm an appropriation to the Louisiana VEP in the amount of $700.00 to cover transportation of La. Negro Elected Officials to Leadership Training Conference at Southern, October 19, 1968, at the rate of 8 cents per mile.

Funds are being forwarded to LVEP forthwith.

SIGNED:_____

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia
522-7495

October 14, 1968

Mr. Anderson Yancy
Star Route B, Box 227
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Yancy:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. William Samuel Jr., Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
Box 734
Placquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Samuel:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply the black Justices of the Peace in Louisiana with materials relating to the functions of their office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of their duties as Justice of the Peace, which we mailed to the nine justices on our list.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Wesley Albert Sr.
Box 441
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Albeft:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best Wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Anderson Broussard
Star Route B Box 227
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Broussard:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Felton Ceasar
Rt. 2 Box 114
Welcome, Louisiana 70993

Dear Mr. Ceasar:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Joseph Delphin
Rt. 1 Box 38
Natchez, Louisiana 71456

Dear Mr. Delphin:

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Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Whitmore Gordon
Rt. 1 Box 79
Edgard, Louisiana 70049

Dear Mr. Gordon:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Charlie Harris
Box 222
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Harris:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Stanley Johnson
Box 165
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Johnson:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Mr. Harvey Schexnayder
Box 93
Vacherie, Louisiana 70090

Dear Mr. Schexnayder:

During the Leadership Conference we held in New Orleans last March, the Voter Education Project promised to supply you with materials relating to the functions of your office.

Enclosed is a copy of the statutory provisions regarding the exercise of your duties as a Justice of the Peace.

Best wishes,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WR:zw

October 14, 1968

Dr. George Owens
President
Tougaloo College
Tougaloo, Mississippi

Dear George:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $700.00, made payable to Tougaloo College. This is a special grant to the Tougaloo Center for Black Elected Officials, and it precedes the annual grant that is forthcoming to the College for the Center.

The purpose of this grant is for a one-day workshop for black candidates in the Mississippi November general election. The program, as I understand it from Mrs. Banks, is to be very similar to the workshop held at Tougaloo in August, 1967. Mrs. Banks has mailed to us an estimate of the cost for the workshop, as well as a tentative agenda, which I am confident that she has, by now, shared with you. I believe the conference is necessary and an excellent forerunner to the annual funding of the Center.

The amount of the grant is to cover the following expenses as estimated by Mrs. Banks.

a)	Lunch for 125 people - - -	$ 180.00
b)	Fee for use of space at Tougaloo - - - - - - - -	25.00
c)	Travel expenses ($ .05 per mile) - - - - -	400.00
d)	Workshop materials - - -	25.00
e)	Postage - - - - - - -	15.00
f)	Secretarial help - - - - - -	20.00
Total		$ 665.00

It is my hope that, through vouchers, Mrs. Banks can have the freedom to make any and all judgments relative to the expenditure of funds with, of course, your sanction and approval.

I must point out that these funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner, whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate.

I will be in touch with you within the fortnight to discuss the possibility of a press release on the VEP grant to Tougaloo for the Center, and the announcement of Mrs. Banks' appointment as its director.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any help, please call on me.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mrs. Banks

October 15, 1968

Miss Leota Leu
R. R. 4
Box 355
Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconson 54494

Dear Miss Leu:

Our Publications Department has referred your letter requesting information on morality and race relations with emphasis on intermarriage to our Research Department. Most of our material on this subject deals with intermarriage in relation to religion rather than morality per se. I have enclosed an article from the Christian Century magazine of June 14, 1967 entitled "Interracial Marriage: A Christian View" which might prove helpful to you. You might also consult the Amicus Curiae brief submitted by a prominent group of clergymen in the Loving v. Commonwealth case in which the Supreme Court outlawed Virginia's anti-miscegenation statutes in the fall of 1967. I have also enclosed a reprint of a speech given by James McBride Dabbs in 1960 which concerns the relationship between brotherhood and race relations.

I hope you will find our suggestions helpful.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan
Research Department

October 15, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Emory F. Via

I would like to have some such (as this) sent to the Labor List and any others deemed appropriate. Any comment?

EV/km

Attached - 1

SRC ANNOUNCES NEW STAFF MEMBER

The Southern Regional Council, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia wishes to announce that Emory F. Via has joined its staff as Director of Labor Program. Mr. Via was formerly Professor of Labor Education School for Workers, The University of Wisconsin. Via worked with the Council previously in 1956-58 before going to The University of Wisconsin and during 1965-67 while on leave of absence from The University.

Mr. Via will engage in labor education activities with unions in the south on matters relating to civil rights and the socio-economic development of the region, programs aimed at eliminating job discrimination, and other projects broadly related to the constructive and national use of the region's manpower resources.

Mr. Via may be reached at The Southern Regional Council offices, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Phone (404) 522-8764.

October 15, 1968

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I have frequently heard that a new broom sweeps clean. But a new carpet? What's to be expected? Just a little more cover-up of the region's problems, perhaps.

As for me, I'll be sweeping something under an ordinary rug in Owensboro, Kentucky on Thursday. My loss and my regrets!

Best wishes to all and sundry.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

via air mail

October 15, 1968

Ms. Barbara Thomas
Birmingham News
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Miss Thomas:

I hope the enclosed will be of value to you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encls.

1. September, 1965: School Desegregation: Old Problems Under a New Law

2. School Desegregation 1966: The Slow Undoing, December, 1966.

3. SRC brochure.

4. Alabama vs. the Courts by Ray Jenkins NS Summer, 1968.

October 15, 1968

Mr. Arnold Hillman
Chairman, English Department
Franklin D. Roosevelt Junior
High School
1001 Rodgers Road
Bristol, Pennsylvania 19007

Dear Mr. Hillman:

We do hat have literature on Negro history, but we have compiled a bibliography of books that may be helpful to you, and names of some schools that are teaching Negro history.

Under separate cover, I am sending you the above mentioned information, as well as a price list for the books. I hope this proves satisfactory.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 15, 1968

Mr. DeJongh Franklin
First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear DeJongh:

Thank you very much for the invitation to attend the luncheon on Sunday, October 27th. I shall be more than pleased to be with you, and to share in this deserved honor for Morris.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 15, 1968

Mr. Bob Goodman
Great Speckled Bird
Atlanta Cooperative News Project
P. O. Box 7986 Station "C"
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Mr. Goodman:

I have checked our files and was unable to find any mention of SNCC opposition to a bus fare increase, in Atlanta. I did find a few clips referring to a bus boycott that resulted from a proposed fare increase in Washington in 1966. I've enclosed those articles. I also checked with Pat Watters as you suggested but he dosen't remember the incident.

As a last ditch effort, I'll ask John Lewis who is presently with the Council and is out of town at the moment. He was national chairman of SNCC from 1962 - 1966 so he should remember it.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

October 15, 1968

Mr. Hartmut Fege
Lutheran Theological Seminary
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Mr. Fege:

I have enclosed as promised a copy of a Council report dealing with school desegregation and the freedom-of-choice plan. I am also sending you an article on this subject.

Hopefully, the information suggested in my previous letter and the enclosed report and article will clarify the "legalities" of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in regard to freedom-of-choice.

If we can be of further service, by all means call on us.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Barnetta Jackson
Research Assistant

BJ:js

Encl.

October 15, 1968

Ms. Charlene L. Shadwick
86 Broad Street
Plattsburg, New York

Dear Ms. Shadwick:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some xeroxed material on the Negro and radical left movements. For more information, I suggest you write the following:

The New Outlook Publishers
32 Union Square East, Room 801
New York, New York 10003

Afro-American Book Store
416 West 63rd Street
Chicago, Illinois

The New Era Bookshop
408 Park Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Harlem Bookshop
2529 Eighth Avenue
New York, New York 10030

Young People's Socialist League
1182 Broadway
New York, New York 10001

For information on the Negro and the Democratic Party, you may obtain a copy of, Political Participation. Chapter IV of this book deals with Negro participation in Democratic and Republican Party affairs. You may obtain a copy of this book by writing the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 15, 1968

Mr. James W. Robinson
Labor Education Program
College of Business
Department of Business Administration
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Blacksburg, Virginia 24061

Dear Jim:

It was a real pleasure to hear earlier this fall that you were heading the Labor Education Program at VPI. As you know, it will be the first full-time program in the old south. It is much needed and there are many of us who wish you well.

Please be sure to let me know if there is anyway in which I, or my program here at the Southern Regional Council, can be of service to you. I will be happy to do what I can.

Best personal wishes.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 15, 1968

The Brookings Institution
Publications Division
1775 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Sirs:

Please change my mailing address from The University of Wisconsin, 825 Extension Building, 432 North Lake Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 to the following:

Mr. Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

Enc.

October 15, 1968

Mr. Franklin Thomas
Butler Street, Y. M. C. A.
22 Butler Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Franklin:

Enclosed herewith is a check, in the amount of $50.00 made payable to the Butler Street YMCA, from Longino and Porter, Inc. It is a contribution to the general program at Butler Street. If you acknowledge receipt of this contribution, you may direct it to Mr. Tommy Walker of that firm.

This is merely an indication that I am still mindful of my responsibility to the Butler Street YMCA.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $50.00

October 15, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Fine job.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 15, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send "Voter Registration in the South" to the following categories:

3. Interagency
4. Board of Directors of SRC
5. Labor
8. Contact -- Research
8. Contact -- All purpose
9. Mass Media
10. Government Agencies & Congressmen
12. Libraries
13. Blue Ribbon List (LWD)
17. Members, state advisory commission on CR
19. Paid Subscribers

FCR.
VIP
C.R.C.
CCR.
VEP NEWS mailing list

Please give priority to category 9 (Mass Media) and the VEP list.

Many thanks.

October 15, 1968

Mr. William Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Samuel:

Herewith enclosed is a deposit slip indicating that the amount of $700.00 has been deposited to the LVEP's account, also enclosed is a letter of transmittal indicating same.

As previously discussed, the $700.00 is to pay for the transportation of the Louisiana black elected officials who will be attending the Leadership Training Seminar, this Saturday, October 19. Please cooperate with Dr. Cobb at Southern, in the disbursement of transportation at the rate of 8¢ per mile for those elected officials who attend.

I am looking forward to seeing you at Baton Rouge on Friday.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

File

October 15, 1968

Rev. David Noflin, President
West Feliciana Voters League
Weyanoke Louisiana 70787

Dear Mr. Noflin:

This is toaacknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending August 2, 1968. In keeping with the provisions of our guidelines, it will be necessary for you to submit supporting documents for the following expenditures:

Highland Grocery, gas and oil	$ 17.00
Josie Callahan, transportation	3.00
Celeste Jenkins, transportation	12.00
Mary Hunt, transportation and office rent	25.00
Sandra Noflin, supplies	28.00

May we have this documentation at your earliest convenience, so as not to further impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw
cc: William Samuel

File

October 15, 1968

Mr. M.W. Thornhill Jr., President
Lynchburg Voters League
909 Fifth St.
Lynchburg, Virginia 24504

Dear Mr. Thornhill:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 2. We are delighted to learn of your continued efforts at getting the "hard core" registered. However, I must call to your attention that our guidelines indicate that our funds can not be used to get out the vote.

We appreciate your interest, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 15, 1968

Mrs. Carolyn Wilhelm
Board of Missions
The United Methodist Church
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mrs. Wilhelm:

Miss Billings has advised us that it is possible for you to be with us at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., in the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned, October 23-24.

The general subject is "1968 - International Human Rights Year."

October 23, 9:30 a.m. we face some the problems that must be solved if any year is to be a Human Rights Year. The afternoon will be the discussion groups.

Banquet - 6:30 p.m. - The Church at Work and reports of the three world conferences.

October 24, 9:30 a.m. - Our speaker from "Commission to Study The Organization of Peace." Reports of Discussion groups, etc. Adjournment 12:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 16, 1968

The Reverend John Mulroy
Sacred Heart Church
335 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Father Mulroy:

The workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned is to be at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., October 23, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at noon the next day.

We are asking you to speak to us at the evening session of October 23. The session begins with a banquet at 6:30.

Please give us about the same talk you gave at my church, Haygood Memorial, in January--telling of the broad changes that have come to pass.

You have been a great help to me through many years.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 16, 1968

Dr and Mrs. Burton Evans
1115 Berkshire Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30306

Dear Friends:

This is to give fuller information to you on the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned.

The place is the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., October 23-24.

The evening session on Wednesday will begin with a banquet (no charge) at 6:30. It would be wonderful for me if you both could be with us the two days. I suggest Mrs. Evans come to the sessions in the day time and you, Dr. Evans, join her there for the 6:30 session.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 16, 1968

Mr. Philip H. Elliott, Jr.
315 Orange Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida 32014

Dear Phil:

It was a pleasure being with you on Sunday. With further thought, I think it would be best to go more into the details of developing an idea of a project for the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Institute before deciding on what foundation to share it with.

This, therefore, is simply a further indication that I and others here will be happy to work with those interested.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 16, 1968

Mr. Al Ulmer
Vilas,
North Carolina

Dear Al:

Your reaction to Baxton's letter is fine. Let me know what you work out.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: John Lewis

October 16, 1968

Mr. Philip C. Sorensen
Executive Director
Irwin-Sweeney-Miller Foundation
301 Washington Street
Columbus, Indiana

Dear Mr. Sorensen:

This will acknowledge with our sincere appreciation the contribution of $1,000. Please express our gratitude to the Directors.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

October 16, 1968

Mr. A. Wilson Cheek
National Conference of Christians and
Jews
Georgia Region
1022 First Federal Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Cheek:

Very regretably our Annual Meeting is being held here in Atlanta November 13-15 and, therefore, all of our people will be involved in that event. I am sorry we have this conflict but do hope you have a good meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 16, 1968

Allan-Grayson Realty Company
40 Pryor Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

This is your authorization to reverse the door of Mr. Vernon Jordan's office on our fourth floor space.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

October 16, 1968

Mr. Bruce D. Weizel
Secretary
American Friends of Wilton Park
685 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Bruce:

While I can never be absolutely certain, I do think I can make the Board meeting on November 19th and shall make every effort to do so.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 16, 1968

Mr. Vic Navasky
Monocle Magazine
80 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Vic:

Here essentially is what I propose. It's informal -- but when you get ready to turn it over to your colleagues, let me know and I'll make it a more formal document.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl.

File

October 16, 1968

Mr. Luis Juarez
Center for Community Action Services
University of New Mexico
1812 Los Lamas N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106

Dear Mr. Juarez:

We were glad to receive your inquiry. Under separate cover we are sending you copies of our publications, and placing your name on our VEP News mailing list. This, I hope, will give you some suggestions for formulating your voter registration drive.

Enclosed is the name and address of the gentleman who may be able to assist you financially:

Mr. W.C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
1630 N. Fourth Ave.
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Phone: 205-322-0708

We consider it a pleasure to be able to assist you by furnishing materials on voter registration, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.'

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 16, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to the statewide voter education Projects in Louisiana North Carolina and South Carolina. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

October 16, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

October 16, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also, please mail to addresses in the following categories.

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

October 16, 1968

Mr. DeJongh Franklin
National Vice-President
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56 Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear ~~Mr. Franklin:~~ Dejongh

Mrs. Jordan and I are delighted to accept your kind invitation to be the guest of the American Jewish Committee, at a luncheon honoring Morris Abram, Sunday, October 27, at 12:30 p. m., in the Phoenix Ballroom of the Regency Hyatt House.

We look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 16, 1968

Mr. DeJongh Franklin
National Vice-President
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56 Street
New York, New York

Dear DeJongh:

Shirley and I are delighted to accept your kind invitation to be the guest of the American Jewish Committee, at a luncheon honoring Morris Abram, Sunday, October 27, at 12:30 p. m., in the Phoenix Ballroom of the Regency Hyatt House.

We look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 17, 1968

Mr. David G. Gale
Field Representative
North Georgia Area
National Foundation - March of Dimes
Room 204, 443 E. Paces Ferry Road, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mr. Gale:

Thank you for your letter of invitation to Mr. Anthony of October 11th. I am sorry to report that Mr. Anthony will be unable to attend your meeting on October 31st, since he will be out of the city fulfilling a long-time commitment. In his behalf, may I extend to you best wishes for a successful meeting.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

October 17, 1968

Mr. Mordecai Johnson
TEAM
P. O. Box 1015
Greenville, South Carolina 29602

Dear Mordecai:

I trust that you have been able to sort out the various tasks related to our "Holding Operation." Will you be able to send me 10 pages or less of a draft summary report? We need it right away if we are to supply the Field Foundation with further information.

I will be happy to work over any such report so send it along in rough form.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 17, 1968

SAGE
E.G.D.G., Incorporated
680 Sunset Road
Post Office Box 1912
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Dear Sir:

I have seen a copy of your Number 3 issue, volume 2, Winter, 1968 at Tuskegee Institute and am wondering if I may obtain a copy of that issue. I found every article most interesting. You are to be congratulated on a very fine publication. Thanking you for the courtesy of receiving this, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/mv

October 17, 1968

Mr. T. A. Danek
Pastor
Wynnewood Park United
Methodist Church
Raleigh, North Carolina 27606

Dear Mr. Danek:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on how to establish a low-rent housing project. Included in the information is nonprofit sponsorship of housing (the pitfalls and potentials); simple questions and answers; case histories; and a bibliography on nonprofit, limited profit, and cooperative housing.

For more information, I suggest you write Mr. James Towney, 1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. Mr. Towney is in charge of low-rent housing for Urban America. You can also obtain additional information from the Joint Urban Program, Episcopal Church Center, 815 Second Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 17, 1968

Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Department of History
University of Miami
Coral Galbles, Florida

Dear Dr. Williams:

As you know from the recent memorandum from John Griffin we plan a considerably different format for this year's Annual Meeting. Most of the meeting will consist of three (3) relatively small group meetings to discuss, in depth, the problems of the times and their implications for the SRC.

Each group will have a chairman, a recorder, and a staff resource person. Would you be agreeable to serving as recorder for one of the groups? Needless to say, I would very much appreciate it if you would do do.

The chairmen and recorders will meet with John Griffin at 10:00 a.m. on November 13th, prior to the beginning of the Annual Meeting.

If you are willing to serve, you will be sent further information prior to the meeting.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. John Griffin

October 17, 1968

Miss Lois Lutz
Walnut Grove School
14 Adams Street
West Mifflin, Pennsylvania 15122

Dear Miss Lutz:

I am sending you some material on Negro history. We do not have any literature on Negro history available here at SRC.

There is a good book -- A Guide to Negro History in America -- written by Phillip T. Drotning and is published by Doubleday and Company, Inc. This book has traced the Negro role in the progress of America and associated lack of events with physical locations in each of the fifty states. These, of course, are only a few of the hundreds of examples of Negro achievement over the past three centuries. What these contributions do show is that the Negro as well as the white American has helped to make this nation great.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 17, 1968

Miss Linda Ray
1202 Rosemond
Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401

Dear Miss Ray:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some material on the Black Muslims.

For more information, I suggest you read, The Black Muslims in America, by Dr. C. Eric Lincoln.

The Autobiography of Malcolm X, by Malcolm X, published by Grove Press, Inc., New York, and any books done by or about Elijah Muhammad. There is also a weekly newspaper published by the Muslims called, Mr. Muhammad Speaks. This newspaper can be found at any newsstand.

Thanks for writing, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 17, 1968

Mr. Rob Elder
Nashville Tennessean
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Rob:

The round-up arrived safely and is just what we ordered.

The check will be mailed in a day or so.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 17, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Tennessee Valley Authority
405 New Sprankle Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Frank:

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Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. John Griffin

October 17, 1968

Dr. Herman Long
President
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Herman:

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. John Griffin

October 17, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. John Griffin

October 17, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Sam:

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Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. John Griffin

October 17, 1968

Mr. Winn F. Finner
Acting Administrator
Consumer & Marketing Service
U. S. Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Finner:

Regrettably, I have another commitment on October 24th. However, it is obvious that your meeting is to be an important one, and I would like to have Mr. James N. Wood, my Executive Assistant, represent us there. Mr. Wood has considerable interest in this subject, and I think could contribute something to the meeting.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 17, 1968

Mr. Neal R. Pierce
Political Editor
Congressional Quarterly
1735 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Pierce:

Here is the information you requested. Enjoyed talking to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 17, 1968

Mr. Stephen D. James
President
Citizen Exchange Corps
10 West 46th Street
New York, New York

Dear Dan:

Enclosed is a copy of my letter to Congressman Thompson.

Regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 18, 1968

Mr. Donald Harris
Division of Education and Research
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Don:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached report of October 10.

I have read the report with great interest and pleased that we had a part in sponsoring the Southern Counselors Conference.

I will be in touch with you in a few days to discuss some specifics on the impending developments.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

October 18, 1968

Miss Yvonne L. Williams
Director of Afro-American Studies
Benedict College
Harden and Blanding Streets
Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Dear Yvonne:

This is to acknowledge your letter of October 16.

I am happy to accept your invitation to visit with your classes on Thursday, November 7.

I hope to see you the weekend of the 25th when you are in Atlanta.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

October 18, 1968

Mr. & Mrs. Maynard Jackson
2920 Chevelle Lane, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Jackson:

This is to invite you to attend the workshop of the Fellowship of the Concerned at the Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W., October 23-24, as our honored guest. If you haven't time to attend all the sessions, why not come to the evening session of the first day. It begins with a banquet at 6:30.

You may know, the Fellowship of the Concerned is the woman's work of the Southern Regional Council.

We would be honored if you find time to come.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 18, 1968

Mr. M. W. Newman
Chicago Daily News
401 ~~Nebtah~~Wabash
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Mr. Newman:

I have enclosed material on Alabama's economy and educational system in comparison to other states.

The pamphlet "Education in the Fifty States" is a 1966 edition. To find out if a more recent edition is available, you might write to the Department of Education, AFL-CIO, 815 16th Street, N.W., Washington, 6, D.C.

If you would like more information about a specific point , please let me know. I have enclosed our most recent school report which should interest you.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

October 18, 1968

Mr. Richard Rairley
90 B Escondido Village
Standprd
California

Dear Dick:

I am sending all the school reports you requested. Also I am including a copy of my own school desegregation guidelines.

MissiGreen is alive and well in Choctaw County.

Thanks, by the way, for all the help with the people at SEL.

Standord can't be any worse than the H. E. & W.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

October 18, 1968

Mr. & Mrs. Julian Bond
162 Euhalee Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Friends:

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We would be honored if you find time to come.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 18, 1968

Dr. Harry V. Richardson
9 McDonough Boulevard, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Dear Dr. Richardson:

I am very glad you will give the closing message to the Fellowship of the Concerned at noon October 24, The Atlantan Hotel, 111 Luckie Street, N. W.

It would be great for us, if you could find time to spend with us all through the workshop--which begins at 9:30 on Wednesday. Our general subject is "1968 - International Year of Human Rights."

By the way, this is the silver anniversary of the Fwllowship of the Concerned.

We are looking forward to listening to your words of wisdom, giving it straightforward as you do, yet with compassion and understanding of our frailities.

Sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. Tilly

MET/rh

October 18, 1968

Dr. Ralph Mason Dreger
Professor of Psychology
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Ralph:

Since the $400 you mentioned has been allocated some time ago and accounted for, you should feel free to use these funds any way related to the project that you feel best.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM October 18, 1968

To: Vernon Jordan, Jim Wood, Emory Via, John Boone, Moreland Smith, Mrs. Tilly, John Lewis, Gaenda Bartley, Bob Anderson, and Pat Watters.

From: Paul Anthony

We want to send to the members of the Council very brief staff comments about their work, interests, and opinions, prior to the Annual Meeting. I hope such statements from each of you can be limited to one typewritten page.

These statements should include any commentary you wish to make about the condition of the nation and the region, the implications of these observations on your work, and emphasis you feel your responsibility should be in the future.

Accompanying this document will be statements from the three, former, living directors. Raymond Wheeler and I will each make statements on the first day of the meeting, and John Wheeler will give his presidential address on the first evening of the meeting.

Please try very hard to have these statements available by Friday, October 25th.

-o-

October 18, 1968

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
2215 Bonnycastle Avenue
Louisville, Kentucky 40205

Dear Miss Ruthenburg:

You are just a bit mistaken. You originally asked for reservations for November 12, 13, 14 instead of 13-15. The meeting begins on the morning of the 13th and will end around noon on Friday. Assuming that you will arrive on the night before, I am making reservations as you first requested.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

October 18, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Ruth House Vick

FROM: Emory F. Via

The attached check will reimburse SRC for Hertz Rental Car charges of $23.46. I will be reimbursed for this expense by the University of Kentucky.

EFV/km

Enclosure - 1 check $23.46

October 18, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Paul Anthony
Jim Wood

FROM: Emory Via

I would like to see the Wall Street Journal. Would you want to see Business Week?

EV/km

R. 7.

October 18, 1968

Dr. Charles Wynes
History Dept.
University of Ga.
Athens, Ga.

Dear Dr. Wynes:

Mr. Bob Anderson has asked that I send you materials on recent high school history textbooks which fairly present Negro history. The best work in our files is the study done by the Virginia Council on Human Relations, 1966, entitled, A List of Intercultural Textbooks and Readers, copy enclosed.

The other materials I am sending you: 2 sheets of bibliography list books which can be used as supplementary study; 2 magazine articles which point out the error of finished products of either all-black or all-white; and a suggestion that you look up the Senior Scholastic Magazine, Vol. 91, No. 14, January 18, 1968.

Also enclosed is copy of press release on a very interesting workshop on said subject sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Public Schools.

Hope the above is helpful.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

Enc.-12 sheets

October 18, 1968

Mr. George Guernsey
Education Department
AFL-CIO
815 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear George:

Has there been a re-issuing of "Education in the Fifty States"? The latest one I have is the third revised edition, 1966.

If a new one is out, please send three copies as soon as possible. Will it be available in bulk?

If a new one is not out, does the Department contemplate a revision?

Best personal wishes.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 18, 1968

Mr. George Loft
Associate
The Field Foundation
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear George:

The AFSC proposal which you shared with me today has considerable merit. With the exception of our periodic reporting and a few local efforts, I know of no significant work being done in the Deep South on school integration other than that being done by AFSC. And, in my opinion, the staff work of AFSC in South Carolina and Alabama has been of a very high caliber.

Incidentally, you might like to see our most recent commentary on this situation, if you have not already done so. A copy is enclosed.

Both the Alabama and South Carolina Human Relations Councils have worked very closely with

the AFSC staff people in the past. I am sure this will continue to be the case in South Carolina. In Alabama there is a new Council director, with whom I am not very familiar. But, here too, I would anticipate his full cooperation.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 18,11968

Miss Johnsie Williams
P.O. Box 247
Bennett College
Greensboro, North Carolina 27420

Dear Miss Williams:

This is in response to your letter of October 12 to Vernon Jordan.

Enclosed are materials published by the Voter Education Project which I hope will be helpful to you in writing your paper. If there is any other specific information you think we can supply you with, please let me know.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 18, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Weldon Rougeau

Attached is my check in the amount of $19.40, which is the refund on a travel advance dated September 27, 1968.

cc: RHV

October 20, 1968

Dr. C. G. Gomillion
308 Bibb Street
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gomillion:

The dates of the Annual Meeting are November 13-15. There will be no sessions on the 12th, as you seem to think. November 12th appeared on the room request form for those persons who would arrive the night before the meeting begins, and who wanted room accommodations that night.

We're sorry that you cannot be with us on the 13th.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

October 21, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: MEMBERS OF SRC STAFF WHO USE XEROX MACHINE

FROM: JIM WOOD

Will you please meet in the Conference Room on Wednesday morning at 10:00 A.M. There will be a meeting regarding the use of the machine.

JNW/km

SAME LETTER TO: Federation of Southern Cooperatives
National Sharecroppers Fund
American Civil Liberties Union

October 21, 1968

Southern Rural Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
2nd Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Will you please have the persons from your office who use our Xerox machine present in our offices on Wednesday morning at 10:00 A.M. There will be a meeting regarding the use of the machine.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

October 21, 1968

Mr. David Emmons
P. O. Box 3285
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Dave:

The manuscript is in hand -- and we'll be writing you again in a few days.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 21, 1968

Mr. Meharry H. Lewis
Division of Student
Personnel
Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your October 18 letter.

I am glad that the university press is interested in your anthology. I have a question about the speech excerpts. Two of the five authors you mention are white -- Charles Morgan and McNeil Smith. I point this out since your title is, Readings in Contemporary Black Thought. I will hold up contacting these two until hearing from you further.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

cc: Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker
and copy of Mr. Lewis' letter.

October 21, 1968

Ms. June Fisher
Permissions Editor
School Department
The MacMillan Company
866 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Ms. Fisher:

We are happy to grant permission to you to use the material you have indicated on pp. 15-16 of, "Intimidation, Reprisal, and Violence in the South's Racial Crisis," in your book, Nobody Knows: Black Americans in the Twentieth Century, with appropriate credit given to Southern Regional Council.

Actually, the pamphlet is not copywighted, and hence in the public domain.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

October 21, 1968

Mr. M. W. Newman
Chicago Daily News
401 ~~Webash~~Wabash
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Mr. Newman:

I have enclosed desegregation figures for colleges and universities in Alabama from the U. S. Office for Civil Rights. Sorry I forgot to include them in the materials I sent you Friday.

You might get hold of a copy of Rankings of the States published by the National Education Association. Our most recent edition is missing or I would send you the sections on Alabama. You can write to the National Education Association, Research Division, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C. or call your local NEA branch in Chicago.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

Reading File

Southern R[illegible], Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. [illegible] A 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 21, 1968

SRC ANNOUNCES NEW STAFF MEMBER

The Southern Regional Council, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia wishes to announce that Emory F. Via has joined its staff as Director of Labor Program. Mr. Via was formerly Professor of Labor Education, School for Workers, The University of Wisconsin. Mr. Via worked with the Council previously in 1956-58 before going to The University of Wisconsin and during 1965-67 while on leave of absence from The University.

Mr. Via will engage in labor education activities with unions in the south on matters relating to civil rights and the socio-economic development of the region, programs aimed at eliminating job discrimination, and other projects broadly related to the constructive use of the region's manpower resources.

October 21, 1968

Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr.
234 Sunset Avenue, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Coretta:

I am in sympathy with your request that the Council's papers be deposited in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library. I and my associates are honored that you would make this request.

There is one serious complication, since the Atlanta University Library, many years ago, was designated as the repository for the papers of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, our predecessor. Also, after the formation of the Council Atlanta University was again designated the repository for the papers belonging to the Council. Currently, I have been attempting to get in touch with Mrs. Phinazee at Atlanta

University to discuss the matter of securing funds to better preserve these and other documents at A. U. Perhaps you or Vincent could discuss this with Mrs. Phinazee and then you, Vincent, and I could explore it further.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. Joseph Phinazee
Dr. Vincent Harding

October 21, 1968

Mr. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott-Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

Dear Mr. Ragland:

Thank you very much for responding to my letter to Mrs. Ragland. Needless to say, I am very concerned to hear of her illness, but relieved at the good fortune of having the S. S. Hope so near by. I am writing to her today.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, S

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Mrs. Martha Ragland
P. O. Box 702
S. S. Hope
Colombo, Ceylon

Dear Martha:

Last week I wrote you asking that you do a special chore for us at the Annual Meeting. Your husband was thoughtful enough to open the letter and inform me of your illness. I and all of us here are so sorry to hear of this, but very happy that such good medical facilities were nearby.

I always knew you people of the "Jet Set" did bizarre things, but don't you really think this is taking it a bit too far? Do get well, and come home soon.

Affectionately,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
The Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debbie:

This will acknowledge the contribution of $2,500 from the Aaron E. Norman Fund in support of the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council.

We are genuinely grateful. And, needless to say, I continue to believe that this is a promising investment.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

October 21, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
The Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debbie:

Not quite knowing the procedure of the Fund or your record-keeping, this envelop contains three (3) letters to you, rather than one.

I am very happy that you and Vernon were able to talk while you were in Washington. I only regret that I was unable to be there. Vernon did tell me of the conversation and his relief that you had an opportunity to get to know each other better. I hope you can continue to see each other periodically.

Separately, in addition to our acknowledgement of the grant for the Southwest, enclosed is our "annual letter."

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
enclosures

October 21, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
The Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debbie:

This is to request of the Norman Fund a renewal of its grant of $2,500 to the Southern Regional Council.

As in the past, if the grant is made, we would like to have your permission to use these funds for general operations, only if necessary. Otherwise, we would like to use the funds for program if we can meet our general operation expenses elsewhere. Our situation at this time is that while we are a bit hard-pressed for general operations funds, we do anticipate raising from other sources sufficient funds to meet the actual expenses. However, our Community Organization Project, directed by John Lewis, is currently running

at a deficit because we have over spent the budgeted amount for modest grants to self-help efforts. Therefore, it is very likely that these funds, if granted, would be used in that area.

Needless to say, if you need additional information I would be happy to provide it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
Executive Director
Southwest Intergroup Relations Council
2801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas 78757

Dear Ed:

Enclosed is our check for $2,500 representing a grant from the Aaron E. Norman Fund. Enclosed, also, is a copy of the grant letter. I am also sending Joe a copy. You will note a commitment on the part of the Fund for a $5,000 grant next year, contingent on your receiving tax exemption. I know you and Joe are pushing this, but I do think it very important that you try to get this done during the current administration.

This is quite a significant occasion, because it represents real success in your

first money-raising effort. You are now on your way, and I see you go with mixed blessings. However, I think you and an agency deserve each other, so go to it!

Warmest regards to you and the family.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures
cc: Dr. Joseph Witherspoon

October 21, 1968

Father Walter B. Clancy
Assistant Director
Diocese of Little Rock
Catholic Social Services
309½ West Second Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Walter:

We certainly still want you, and following November 15th I very much look forward to having you as one of my bosses.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Mr. J. Bill Becker
President
Arkansas AFL-CIO
1408 Rebsamen Park Road
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Dear Bill:

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Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Dr. Guy B. Johnson
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Guy:

Over the weekend I read your paper. It is a magnificent piece of work, and I think will be extremely helpful to the members. I am taking the liberty of sharing it with Les Dunbar and Harold Fleming who, as you know, are also being asked to submit papers.

All of us look forward to being with you in November.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 21, 1968

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
President
Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harold:

Guy Johnson has submitted his paper for the Annual Meeting. I thought you might like to see it. I look forward to getting yours, and very much appreciate your willingness to prepare it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

October 21, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

Guy Johnson has submitted his paper for the Annual Meeting. I thought you might like to see it. I look forward to getting yours, and very much appreciate your willingness to prepare it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

October 22, 1968

Mr. Charles Wright McGehee
President
Human Relations Council of Greater
Jacksonville
801 Pearl Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Mr. McGehee:

Enclosed is a very rough draft of a suggested set of By-Laws for local and state human relations councils. These By-Laws were prepared by Mr. Ed Stanfield, former Director of Field Activities. Mr. Stanfield is now with another agency in Austin Texas, but if we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

October 22, 1968

Dr. George Tindall
Department of History
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Professor Tindall:

Last year, in honor of the late Lillian Smith, the Southern Regional Council voted to create a Lillian Smith Award for outstanding literary works that represent Miss Smith's spirit and contribution. The Award Committee met on Saturday, October 19, and considered a number of works. Your book, The Emergence of the New South was selected for this award.

The award will be made at the Council's Annual Dinner on November 13 here in Atlanta. We very much hope it will be possible for you to be present to receive the award. And, needless to say, the Council will be happy to take care of your expenses.

Our hope is that the Lillian Smith Award will become a very important one, and that it will continue to recognize works of real quality. Accordingly, we shall attempt to give the presentation the widest possible publicity. You may wish to inform the Louisiana State University Press and the Information Office of this. However, I hope they would respect the award date and not make mention of it before November 13.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Dr. Lucius H. Pitts
Mr. Frank Smith
Dr. Bell I. Wiley
Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
Mr. John H. Wheeler

October 22, 1968

Mr. Eugene Moore
The Atlanta Journal
Box 4689
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Dear Eugene:

It was a pleasure talking with you yesterday. After you had gone my secretary discovered the correspondence you mentioned. Copies are enclosed.

While I think it important for you to have this information, I do hope and know you will be discrete in using it, since many of our friends and supporters are readers of the New-Republic. Of co-equal importance, it seems to me, are the facts of Miss Lil's early firm beliefs and refusal to do anything which she interpreted compromising, and her later warm relationship with the SRC.

If we can be of any further help, give me a call.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

October 22, 1968

Mr. Malcolm P. Calhoun
Secretary
Division of Church and Society
Board of Christian Education
Presbyterian Church in the U. S.
801 East Main Street
Box 1176
Richmond, Virginia 23209

Dear Malcolm:

This will acknowledge with our most grateful appreciation the contribution of $250.00 from the Division of Church and Society, Board of Christian Education, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.

Each year, about this time, we begin to have considerable difficulty raising the remainder of the funds needed to meet our requirements. Therefore, grants such as this one are disproportionately important to us.

Please call on us if we can be of any service to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

October 22, 1968

Mr. Adam Yarmolinsky
Consultant
The Ottinger Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 291
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Adam:

This will acknowledge with our grateful appreciation the contribution of $2,000 from The Ottinger Foundation.

Each year, about this time, we begin to have considerable difficulty raising the remainder of the funds needed to meet our requirements. Therefore, grants such as this one are disproportionately important to us.

Please express our appreciation to the Trustees.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

October 22, 1968

Mrs. Charles P. Wilson
Chairman, Committee on State Corrections
2109 Hanover Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

In addition to the information attached, this information might also be helpful.

For the past two years, Mr. Boone has been Director of the Project on the Administration Of Criminal Justice for the Southern Regional Council. His activities with this project were largely connected with corrections. However, considerably work was done in conjunction with Law Enforcement Programs.

Should we locate a suitable photograph, we will send it to you under seperate cover.

Sincerely yours,

Mozell Varner (Miss)
Secretary

MV/

October 22, 1968

Mr. James A. Mackay
First National Bank Bldg.
Decatur, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mackay:

I thought you might like to see this endorsement from the Textile Workers Union of America's newspaper.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. Charles L. Weltner
Old Post Office Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Weltner:

I thought you might like to see these endorsements from the Textile Workers Union of America's newspaper, and the Machinist.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

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October 22, 1968

Mr. William J. O'Connor, Clerk
United States District Court
Southern District of Alabama
213 Federal Building
Mobile, Alabama

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

I have not been a resident of the Southern District of Alabama since January 1967. Consequently, I am requesting that my name be struck from the jury list of said district.

I am returning the Summons for my appearance as a juror on November 4th.

If you should want me to appear and feel that the court can pay my expenses I will, of course, be delighted to serve as a juror.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

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October 22, 1968

Meyer L. Casman
715 Robinson Building
Philadelphia
Pennsylvania 19102
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Mr. Casman:

The two Southern Regional Council reports you received in July, "Hungry Children" and Winter, 1968, NEW SOUTH, are the only Southern Regional Council publications dealing specifically with hunger in the South. If you failed to find specific reference to genocide, it was because none was made.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Director of Research

October 22, 1968

Mr. Ronnie Dugger
1017 West Thirty-first Street
Austin
Texas 78705

Dear Ronnie:

Enclosed is a copy of the Southern Regional Council's 1968 school desegregation report. I hope it helps with the book. (It gives us exiles such a warm feeling to know that Texas is running the country.)

Cheers.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Director of Research

Enclosures: one

P. S. I am sending a copy to Very Rony with your compliments.

October 22, 1968

Mr. John Egerton
Southern Education Reporting
Service
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear John:

Finally, a response. We want the piece on Mr. Dabbs. Since it is an almost timeless sort of article, we may hold it for a later issue -- but I'll let you know for sure when it will appear.

Yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 22, 1968

Dr. Vincent Harding
Martin Luther King Memorial Library
671 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Vincent:

This is to verify that William Porter has worked with the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee for a period of six years. This further verifies that in my capacity as Chairman of SNCC and a member of its staff, I did have occassion to work in a most cordial way with Porter. He is a consistant and diligent worker, and very much committed to the struggle of black people.

Porter's character is exemplary of the finest quality which has become so much a part of the shaping of the destiny of the movement.

I have great respect and admiration for Porter.

Sincerely,

John Lewis

JL/rh

October 22, 1968

Mr. John Simon
President
The Taconic Foundation
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

Pursuant to our Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, as discussed in my letter to you of October 3rd, I thought you might like to see the two enclosed newspaper accounts of an earlier meeting we ran in Louisiana.

We are getting a very good response in our preliminary planning in terms of an indication that nearly all of the officials want to attend the conference and in acceptances from speakers and resource people thus far invited.

If I can fill you in further on how the conference plans are developing, please call me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. Stephen S. Birdsall
Department of Geography
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Birdsall:

I am replying to your letter of October 18 to Marvin Wall, who is out of town.

Miss Janet Smith, who keeps up with the SRC's out-of-date publications, is on vacation for a few days, and I think I will have better luck in providing the registration tables you requested after she returns. I know that we can provide you with a registration booklet for 1966 and with some county breakdown tables for 1960 and 1964.

Arkansas, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia were omitted from the recent booklet because county breakdowns by race are unavailable in those states. If knowing the total number of registered voters in the counties in those states will help you, you can obtain them by writing directly to the states. (Mr. Shirley Hassler at the State Capitol in Nashville has told me county breakdowns by race in Tennessee can be obtained by contacting each county registrar. Whether this is possible in the other three states--or even in Tennessee--I do not know.)

I hope I will be able to send the registration tables you requested by early next week.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

File

October 22, 1968

Mr. E.H. Gadsden
Savannah Branch NAACP
458½ W. Broad St.
Savannah Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

Pursuant to your recent conversation with Mr. Jordan, this is to inform you and members of the Branch that the balance remaining in your account may be used for citizenship education.

We appreciate your interest and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 22, 1968

Mr. Cecil Alexander
Finch Alexander Barnes Rothschild
& Paschal
44 Broad Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Cecil:

I wholeheartedly agree to enlarging the Executive Committee of the Resurgene to include T. M. Alexander, Jr. and Dan Hodgson.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 28th.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 22, 1968

Miss Carolyn Lafayette
Friends of the Children of Mississippi
507½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Carolyn:

It was so good to see you in Washington at the Hunger USA meeting. I must confess that at first I did not recognize you, thanks to your new coiffure which, by the way, is quite attractive.

I am indeed pleased that you made the big move from the Peace Corps to Mississippi and I trust that you are having an exciting experience there. If we can be of any service to you at any time here at the Voter Education Project, please call on us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 22, 1966

Mr. Jack Rosenthal
Time-Life, Inc.
1120 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Jack:

I am sorry that I did not get an opportunity to call you back when I was in Washington last week. Next time I am scheduled to be up, I will give you a call prior to my coming so that we can get together and talk about the Institute of Politics and one thousand other things.

If you ever have any cause to be in the Atlanta area, please give me due notice.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 22, 1968

Mr. Cecil Alexander
Architects Engineers Interior Designers
44 Broad Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 22, 1968

Mr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
102 Reynolda Village
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

Dear Mr. Archie:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the Foundation's Check No. 2052 in the amount of $15,000 representing the first installment for a grant to the Voter Education Project from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc. We clearly understand that $2,500 of this sum is intended for N.C. Voter Education Project and we will forward same to the N.C.V.E.P in due course.

I had hoped that I could get a few minutes to say hello when I was in the Winston-Salem area a few days ago and I am sorry that our travel schedules did not permit us to get together.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 22, 1968

Miss Jan Hillegas
Freedom Information Service
Box 120
Tougaloo, Mississippi 39174

Dear Jan:

Thanks for sending us a list of the Mississippi candidates. It would be helpful if you could send the addresses also since all those who are elected will be invited to attend the VEP's "Southwide Conference for Black Elected Officials" in December. Preliminary letters will also be sent to candidates.

I've been intending to write for some time to tell you I can return the booklets you loaned me at any time you need them. Right now I am not sure when I will have an opportunity to work on and finish the Mississippi government booklet.

Are out-of-state subscriptions to the F.I.S. Newsletter being cut out? If so, we would like to devise some way to continue receiving a copy.

Thanks again for allyyour help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

October 22, 1968

Miss Loretta Johnson
Social Science Advancement Institute
Tougaloo College
Tougaloo, Mississippi 39174

Dear Miss Johnson:

Enclosed is a copy of the latest issue of the V.E.P. News. We will be happy to place the Social Science Advancement Institute, with attention to you, on our mailing list. There will be no charge for this service.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. William Liller
Master
Adams House
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Liller:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 17 describing the functions and accommodations of Adams House. I am greatly looking forward to my stay there. Please forgive my delay in replying, but a month's absence from the city at the end of the summer has put me far behind in my correspondence.

I plan to be in Cambridge later this year and hope to meet you then. If not, I look forward to seeing you in January.

Again, thank you very much for your letter.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

October 22, 1968

Miss Susie F. Kornegay
P.O. Box 298
Savannah State College
Savannah, Georgia 31404

Dear Miss Kornegay:

Under separate cover I am sending you some publications of the Voter Education Project which I think will be helpful to you in your research on Southern Negro politicians. I am also enclosing a copy of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission's report on "Political Participation," which includes on page 214 the names of all Negro officeholders in the South as of February 1.

Following elections this year, there are currently 263 black officeholders in the 11 Southern states. In addition, there are approximately 279 Negroes running for office in the Nov. 5 general election. These include 91 candidates running in Alabama on the National Democratic Party (NDP) ticket (one for the U.S. Senate and eight for the U.S. House) and 73 for school boards and elections commissions in 22 Mississippi counties.

Please let us know if we can be of any further help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 22, 1968

The Honorable Richard Hatcher
Office of the Mayor
City Hall
Gary, Indiana

Dear Dick:

One of the derivative benefits of your election in Gary is that other black people have been encouraged to aspire to public office or higher horizons.

Here in the South, in spite of continuing difficulties, we have seen the number of Negro office-holders rise from almost zero before the sixties to 72 in 1965, with the count to exceed 300 after the november election. This is in the eleven-state area covered by the Voter Education Project which has been steadily increasing its efforts to support and service these officials.

We are now making plans for an unprecedented Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials to be held here in Atlanta at the Dinkler-Plaza Hotel, December 11-14, 1968. We estimate that at least 225 Negro officeholders will respond affirmatively to our invitation to this gathering which will open with a dinner to be addressed by Julian Bond on the evening of December 11th. Some of the other speakers who will be on the program are Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook, Dr. Kenneth Clark, Theodore Jones of Illinois, and Gerald Lamb of Connecticut.

While most of the agenda will be devoted to general sessions focusing on the problems of black officeholders, with workshops scheduled for the various categories of public office, we want to have one major event in the Atlanta University area to which students and the public at large would be invited. We propose to do this by way of a Public Forum in Davage Auditorium, on the Clark College campus, on Thursday evening, December 12th, at 8:00 p.m.

I can think of no one who would have a greater appeal to the students and the elected officials alike than you, and it is to invite you to make the main address at that Public Forum that I write now. Your presence would do much to inspire and stimulate the young people to look toward future political involvement, and it would certainly serve to show the elected officials that black men can go even further.

The format for the Public Forum would include welcoming remarks from Dr. Vivian Henderson, President of Clark College. After your address there would be a panel of three or four of the elected officials to respond. Then the meeting would be open to questions from the students to be directed to you and the panel. Afterwards we might have a brief coffee period when the students could meet you and the other officials.

I have discussed our hope that you might consent to make this appearance in Atlanta with our mutual friends, Carl Holman and Jim Gibson. Jim talked with your secretary, Miss McCain, the other day and ascertained that it was within the range of possibility that we might have the honor of your presence.

Should you accept, we would, of course, provide for the travel expense and hospitality while here for you and whichever staff person you might wish to bring with you. A suite would be reserved for you at the Dinkler where, depending on how long you could stay, there would be informal opportunities for the other officials to meet you. Also, we would provide you with the modest honorarium of $200.00, an amount simply indicative of our appreciation to you on the one hand, and our limited resources on the other.

I shall be happy to elaborate on any of this if you will call me, or have your administrative assistant do so.

I hope you will accept and look forward to hearing from you soon. Your coming will do much to further the cause of increased black political power in the South.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc

cc: Mr. Carl Holman
Mr. James Gibson

bcc: Dr. Vivian Henderson

October 22, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Troubh
Executive Director
Joint Foundation Support
575 Madison Avenue - 19th Floor
New York, New York 10022

Dear Betty:

Pursuant to our Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, as discussed in my letter to you of October 3rd, I thought you might like to see the two enclosed newspaper accounts of an earlier meeting we ran in Louisiana.

We are getting a very good response in our preliminary planning in terms of an indication that nearly all of the officials want to attend the conference and in acceptances from speakers and resource people thus far invited.

If I can fill you in further on how the conference plans are developing, please call me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice President
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
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October 22, 1968

Mr Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
100 86th Street
New York, New York

Dear Vernon:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. David R. Hunter
Executive Director
The Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Dave:

Pursuant to our Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials, as discussed in my letter to you of October 3rd, I thought you might like to see the two enclosed newspaper accounts on an earlier meeting we ran in Louisiana.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mr. Phil Sorenson
Irwin, Sweeney, Miller Foundation
301 Washington Street
Columbus, Indiana

Dear Phil:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 22, 1968

Mrs. Rosetta Miller
U.S. Civil Rights Commission
1405 I Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20425

Dear Mrs. Miller:

Enclosed is a list of all known Negro school board members in the 11 Southern states.

Incidentally, there are at least 54 Negroes running for the office of school board in the South in the general election. If you will get in touch with me in a week or so after Nov. 5, I will try to give you the names of the new black school board members.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 22, 1968

Dr. Mack H. Jones
Political Science Department
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Dr. Jones:

Enclosed is the copy of "Voter Registration in the South" which you requested.

I have asked Mrs. Margaret Chanin to add your name to the VEP mailing list.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 22, 1968

Miss Carol Lafayette
Friends of the Children of Mississippi
507½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

Dear Carol:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

October 23, 1968

Miss Peggy Grieve
2105 Orchard Road
Toledo, Ohio 43606

Dear Miss Grieve:

I am sending under separate cover several reports published by the Council which deal directly and indirectly with the culture of rural and urban poverty. The charge for these materials is $2.85.

I am sure you are familiar with The Negro Family: The Case for Action ("Moynihan Report"). You might also be interested in Low Income Life Styles published by the Research Department of the Welfare Administration of HEW. One more suggestion would be to write to the Institute for Research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin to see if they have done anything in your area.

I hope that you will find our materials and suggestions helpful. Please call on us if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan
Research Department

October 23, 1968

Mr. Guy M. Lee, Jr.
Mr. Daryl R. Yost
Teachers College
Ball State University
Muncie, Indiana 46703

Gentlemen:

Under separate cover we are sending you several documents that may be of some help to you. Enclosed is a publications list from which additional materials may be ordered, if you are interested.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Publications List)

October 23, 1968

Dr. John A. Griffin
Executive Director
Southern Education Foundation
811 Cypress Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear John:

Thanks for the copy of the "High Risk" report.

Lucius will almost certainly be asked to chair the plenary session of the Annual Meeting, though we have not drawn up a final agenda.

Enclosed is the final report of the Nominating Committee. Brief biographical sketches of the nominees will be prepared shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

MEMORANDUM October 23, 1968

To: The Mail Department

From: MMJohnson

Please send the following to Mr. Guy M. Lee, Jr. and Mr. Daryle R. Yost:

20 copies each:

1. Voter Registration in the South: Summer 1968
2. Lawlessness and Disorder: 14 Years of the Failure of School Desegregation
3. Kenneth Clark's speech
4. On the National Crisis

1 copy each:

last two issues of NEW SOUTH

(label attached)

Thanks, mmj

October 23, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Field Foundation
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

Enclosed is a proposal for further support of TEAM. This draft amends the one sent earlier by (1) providing more detail on our field activities through notes and attachments, and (2) by increasing to $20,000 the amount of support we are seeking.

Subsequent to my sending you the first summary report and proposal, Jean Fairfax, Mordecai Johnson and I have had an opportunity to review our work more carefully and to plan for the coming months. This review and Mordecai's decision to remain in South Carolina (please see attached letter) have caused us to request more money for what we feel is an especially important opportunity to produce results in the employment field.

In my eyes the project has accomplished a great deal - perhaps more than we could have realistically expected. However, we are not satisfied with the results to date. We still believe that it is

possible to show greater results in employment integration, at modest cost, where strategic planning brings together defined goals, community organization, governmental pressure and a careful prodding of the whole process.

We, of course, do not expect you to read all of the enclosed materials, but thought that scanning them would flesh out the abbreviated report somewhat.

Please let Jean or me know if there is any further information that would be helpful.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

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A SUMMARY REPORT AND PROPOSAL FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF T E A M (Textiles: Employment and Advancement for Minorities).

Submitted to

THE FIELD FOUNDATION

October, 1968

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Re: Note 5, TEAM, "Workbook for Community Leaders."

Re: Notes 9 and 11, Director's Report, Summary of Staff Activities.

Re: Note 13, Memorandum on TEAM's Future, The Big Ten and Chart of Big Ten mills in South Carolina counties.

A SUMMARY REPORT AND PROPOSAL FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF T E A M (Textiles: Employment and Advancement for Minorities)

Introduction

In January, 1967, a forum on textile industry employment patterns in North and South Carolina was held by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Following the forum, six private agencies[1] formed TEAM to provide a field program in South Carolina and to work with national and regional Federal offices to end employment discrimination in the textile industry. Several of the private agencies had presented statements to the EEOC forum and one of them earlier had urged the EEOC to show interest in the textile industry.

TEAM was one part of a total effort including the Federal agencies (EEOC and OFCC) and the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council. TEAM hoped that the combined activities would serve a) to substantially increase Negro employment in entry level jobs, b) to place Negroes into a scattering of skilled and white collar jobs, c) to see that training, employment services, and other programs related to the textile industry were non-discriminatory, and d) to keep the private agencies informed about government agency action to insure that a high

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[1] The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., The Southern Regional Office of the National Urban League, Penn Community Services, The Southern Office of the AFL-CIO Civil Rights Department, The Southern Rural Training Project, and The Southern Regional Council, Inc.

level of government activity continued.

TEAM Activities

TEAM activities can be separated into two categories, field and general. The field activities went through basically three phases, as the program moved through its initial organization, created community awareness, and then began to operate within local communities. In the first phase, we organized an office, identified target areas,[2] gathered information about key state agencies and programs,[3] pinned down the Federal commitment and developed a working

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[2] TEAM initially selected 14 counties in the Piedmont area of South Carolina: Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Cherokee, Greenville, Greenwood, Lancaster, Laurens, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg, Union and York. In fiscal 1966, textile mills accounted for 65% of their manufacturing jobs and almost 90% in some counties. Negroes, with about 30% of the total population (1960 census) held only 8% of the textile jobs in these counties and the Negro female held only 4% of the female textile jobs according to the latest data available. See Generally, "THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY AND NEGROES IN WESTERN SOUTH CAROLINA: Some Hard Facts as a basis for Action," TEAM, November 1967, copy attached.

[3] e.g. South Carolina Employment Security Commission and its local State Employment Service offices; South Carolina Economic Opportunity Board; South Carolina Technical Education Committee and its nine TEC Centers in the State, including five in the Piedmont; The Columbia (city) Employment Guidance Center; The Columbia Urban League's program called "Project Assist;" local community action programs, including the information and referral services where these existed in the Piedmont, etc.

relationship with field offices,[4] alerted community leadership,[5] and assisted inaa Piedmont Conference on Jobs and

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[4] EEOC had committed itself to technical assistance visits to 100 plants in 16 South Carolina Piedmont counties. It started before TEAM's field program was operating, and by October, 1968, it had completed visits to 50 plants in four counties heavily impacted with textiles. TEAM's director met with ATRO staffers to share information and cooperative strategies.

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance (OFCC) had committed itself to coordinate action of Federal Contracting Agencies with respect to non-discrimination and affirmative action by the "Big Ten" textile companies with Federal contracts: Burlington Industries, Cannon Mills, Cone Mills, Dan River Mills, Deering Milliken, Inc., Dupont Company, Fieldcrest, Kayser-Roth, Spring Mills and the J. P. Stevens Company. TEAM's director developed a working relationship with OFCC staff as well as with the Department of Defense (DOD) and its Defense Supply Agency (DSA) staff to share information and strategies. The OFCC phase began in early 1968 when OFCC and related agencies visited selected plants of 6 or 7 of the "Big Ten" for compliance reviews.

EEOC was to refer to the Department of Justice for "Pattern of Practice" (secion 707) suits to those companies employing no Negroes or virtually none. Twenty were referred. The director conferred with the Department's attorneys investigating the one case where the Department filed suit --the Southern Weaving Company Case (summary attached).

[5] For example, TEAM's director and board chairman held a "Dinner with TEAM" in late 1967 for selected civil rights leaders in the state from organizations such as American Friends Service Committee, T-Square, South Carolina Council on Human Relations, South Carolina Voter Education Project, NAACP and Urban League, to explain about TEAM, get their suggestions and solicit their assistance; the project director spoke at a statewide conference sponsored by the state organization of Negroes in the medical professions and at a statewide conference sponsored by the Voter Education Program; and he met with the State Advisory Committee (SAC) of the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

Training.[6]

The second phase of TEAM's field activities consisted of community visits by TEAM's director to confer with textile officials at the plant level,[7] to learn about the local communities, and to inform them about TEAM and to select Aides.[8] This culminated in a training workshop for

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[6] SAC, for which TEAM's chairman serves as consultant, had determined to devote primary attention to employment during fiscal year 1968. TEAM encouraged it to hold a Piedmont Conference on Jobs and Training (PCJT). TEAM's director provided extensive assistance and the conference was held on December 2, 1967 at Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina. The conference included, but was not limited to, textiles. About 200 broadly representative persons of employers training agencies (Vocational Education, TEC, Negro principals, teachers, and guidance counselors), representatives of various organizations, including NAACP, community leaders, high school students, workers, job seekers, etc. attended. EEOC Commissioner Samuel Jackson was the keynote speaker. TEAM's newly prepared basic literature (the Hard Facts booklet and the attached "Workbook for Community Leaders") was widely distributed, as well as Federal Government (EEOC and CCR) and other literature.

[7] Beginning in early 1968, the director wrote about 75 letters to plant officials in South Carolina Piedmont counties and talked to plant officials in about 40 cases. The receptions varied from eagerness to cooperate in a few cases, to referring us to headquarters, to outright refusals to discuss equal employment. Generally speaking, the better companies tended to be the larger and newer textile and textile related companies, and (for Negro females) the garment industry.

[8] TEAM's director selected Aides in 9 Piedmont Counties: Anderson, Abbeville, Cherokee, Greenville, Greenwood, Newberry, Pickens, Union and Spartanburg. In age they ranged from 19 to about 55. They included an operator of a beer parlor, an hourly worker in a textile related company, a farmer's wife, a janitor, three preachers (one of whom also works as a carpenter and another ran a cleaning business) a high school teacher, a 19-year-old mother still in high school, and a 45-year-old grandmother who finished high school at age 44, who takes university extension courses and also serves as a school nurse.

the Aides.[9] Thereafter, the Aides worked part-time in their counties for pay to help create interest in textile employment, organized campaigns to test employer willingness to hire Negroes, to stop local situations which contributed to employment discrimination and to cooperate with appropriate government staff people. Aides have worked in nine counties and are currently working in five or six.

The community program has proved valuable both in achieving the ends of the program and in demonstrating how difficult it is to solve elementary problems in some communities. Approximately 500 persons have been placed by TEAM efforts.[10] The total is probably more but we recognized at the start that our best efforts at securing accurate reporting would be frustrated, and this has frequently proved to be

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[9] The training workshop for the Aides was held at Penn Community Services, Inc., Frogmore, South Carolina, April 19-21, 1968. A great deal of information was given to the Aides including the director's interview notes on textile companies in the Aides' counties, materials on a commonly used test in the industry, TEAM's two basic documents, information on training opportunities in the Aides' counties, complaint procedures, and forms, etc. Information sessions were combined with practice sessions to round out the training.

[10] See the attached staff summary report showing referrals and placements by counties, complaints other activities and an assessment.

the case.[10] This total is substantially less than we had hoped for, but compared to other efforts, or even on the basis of per head costs, our efforts have been successful. And such comparisons donnot take into account the continuing gains from community organization, the stimulation of groups to act on their own, and the goading of public agencies to carry out their duties equitably.

The field program has led to about 80 complaints[11] of discrimination being filed with federal agencies. Complaints have also been made about schools, the Technical Education Commission programs, and the employment service. In some cases corrective action has already taken place. The basic employment discrimination complaints are currently under investigation by EEOC.

The "general" activities of TEAM have included the further development of interagency cooperation (private and public), liason functions by TEAM board members between government

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[10] Some of the problems included the fact that the timing of the Governmental and private efforts did not mesh; the governmental commitment was not as forcefully met as we had hoped; our own timing was such that TEAM's community based phase of referring and placing Negro workers did not really begin until late in April 1968 when we obtained community Aides; we have functioning Aides in a relatively few counties--six. In truth, the approximately 500 jobs were obtained in 6 counties in 5 months.

[11] See summary of staff activities attached.

agencies and at times within an agency, the "watchdogging" of Federal agency efforts, and on occasion the confrontation of agencies with what was required of them by law and circumstances. There is no need to spell out these activities in detail, but they have been an essential part of the total process. It has been of inestimable value in our relations with Federal agencies to have had an active and visable field program. The Federal staff people respected TEAM's commitment and that of its director. We secured significant practical and moral leverage just from the existance of a meaningful field effort.

Although we have had good cooperation from government staff, the process has had to be prodded. Their activities, with and without our help, have assisted in the hiring of about 1,500 Negro employees in newly opened industrial facilities alone, the Atlanta office of EEOC visited some 50 South Carolina plants urging affirmative action and offering assistance, a number of cases have been referred to the Attorney General for action. One of these has been settled in court, a few others are in process, and some will not be acted upon. EEOC Commissioners have issued complaints in a number of cases, but only one of these seems to have gone to the final stages. Confidentially requirements in the law have inhibited full reporting. The OFCC has made investigations and recommendations in six or seven of the ten largest companies and has proceeded to a showdown with one of them to serve as a model for the

industry. The Labor Department is to take action against this company following September 30, if it has not then agreed to implement a far reaching affirmative program.

Some Problems

In almost no case were the problems of timing satisfactorily resolved. In a one year effort which attempted to bring a number of separate private and public agencies together it would be expected that competing demands, bureaucratic procedures, and human failure would lead to an imperfect meshing of efforts. Some of the difficulty came about because TEAM launched its field program after some of the public efforts were well under way. Other problems stemmed from the vagaries of the national political scene.

It had been our hope that the results of enforcement efforts would be made available sooner to act as a stimulus to companies and community leadership and to Negro workers reluctant to seek jobs in textiles. We have, frankly, been disappointed that a stronger court ruling could not be secured during the year, that a good settlement did not result from a commissioner complaint which in turn might be made public, or that an OFCC investigation had not already lead to positive action or, if necessary, debarment from government contracts.

We have had perhaps a little less than half of the performance we had hoped for, and sometimes promised, from government agencies. In some cases delivery was beyond the capacity (staff, budget, political commitment) of the staff

involved. The total effort probably compares quite favorably to others. The government people are satisfied that it has been a worthy undertaking considering the newness of the effort, that it was the first such cooperative undertaking, and that it was the first strategic action use of their research data. TEAM, though not satisfied, thinks that a practical assessment would in large part confirm the government staff evaluation.

The Opportunity Now

The anticipation of a breakthrough with the "Big Ten" companies (OFCC action to secure positive programs or to debar) plus the effects of a new round of complaint oriented EEOC investigations, make us feel that the next few months will be the time of greatest employment gains in textiles. The public and private agencies agree that to maximize this opportunity it will be important to have a community program to recruit workers, spread information about openings, and to keep track of the total process as it relates to actual accomplishment.

We are at that point, it would seem, where our various efforts are most likely to bear fruit in actual job placements. The Labor Department currently indicates that its actions should be completed during October. The EEOC initial investigations should be through in a few days. Both of these actions will alert the industry to the need for a more significant change in its pattern of employment. It should be remembered that the rulings affecting the "Big Ten" alone will include enforcement possibilities in literally hundreds of their

The TEAM executive board would continue its participation

plants located in the Carolinas.[13]

What is Proposed

TEAM proposes to phase out its operations over the next several months. For that period it would continue, if funds are available, its community Aides program. In some areas the program would operate to take advantage of immediate opportunities, but in other cases we would time our activity to match favorable results from governmental action. We would not continue a full-time director, but would plan to use him in South Carolina up to one-third time. Three North Carolina and one Virginia situations would be supervised by the field staff of the Legal Defense and Educational Fund based in Charlotte.

We are preparing to place Community Aides in at least five South Carolina counties, three in North Carolina and one in Virginia. We would hope to employ them part time for a minimum of twenty weeks. In a few cases we may need more than one Aide in a county and may need to respond to some local situations which we have not now selected.

The TEAM executive board would continue its participation in the project including field activities. The participation of the board in the project--periodic meetings, field

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[13] The "Big Ten" companies have about 100 plants in 28 South Carolina counties. See chart attached. We feel it is important to focus on 3 communities in North Carolina and 1 in Virginia where there are concentrations of "Big Ten" employment.

consultations, meeting with government staff--has all been without cost to the project itself. Each agency has borne its own expenses. Two of the agencies, Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the Southern Regional Council, have contributed $2,500.00 to the project. And the LDEF has supported the project during this current period since the end of the grant money. The cooperating agencies would anticipate assuming costs for postage, secretarial assistance, and telephone beyond the attached budget.

A grant of $20,000 is needed to allow for the project to be properly terminated and to take advantage of the current situation. We have decided not to seek a larger amount for a fully staffed operation partly because of the difficulty in maintaining full time staff in a temporary project of this nature and partly because we feel we can effectively build on what we have already done and make use of existing agencies. A larger program, however, could easily be justified and would, we think, be productive. We think that our specific commitment should end with the final push outlined in this proposal. It is our continued hope that the community awareness and organization which we leave behind and the stimulation of public programs will insure further employment desegregation efforts.

TEAM -- Summary of Staff Activities
Mordecai C. Johnson - October, 1968

Introduction

Since TEAM's formation in September 1967 with obtaining a director, we have gone through several phases which are summarized in a larger summary of our activities, including (1) identifying target areas, gathering information within the state, developing Federal relationships, alerting community leadership and a Piedmont Job Conference; (2) community visits, preparation of working documents and holding a training workshop for Aides; and (3) a county by county community program.

This report summarizes referrals phase 3 and attempts to provide an overall evaluation.

1. Community Program

This phase began in April 1968 after the training workshop for the Aides after which they proceeded to work on a county by county basis.

A. Placements

For a variety of reasons, we cannot document as accurately as we had hoped, all of the placements resulting from TEAM's efforts. Some referees did not report back on results. Others were hired by virtue of TEAM's existence or its blanket referrals, or used our Aides' name as a reference but were not specifically referred by TEAM. Some applied after generally learning of TEAM's efforts. Some companies more actively recruited on

their own after a visit by or learning of TEAM. And our Aides' inexperience in follow-up and record keeping has hampered reporting. Nor can we document all of the favorable quantitative side effects of our work. Nevertheless, we have culled from our Aides' weekly reports and some final reports such data as we have on referrals and placements. The figures are deliberately understated where Aide reports were quantitatively unclear. Thus, where a report shows "a good number," or "several," or "several carloads," or "a truck-load," or "some" persons were referred or taken or tested, or applied, or hired, we have given no figure. With these qualifications, placement information is set out below county by county.

Abbeville County

Our Aide visited or attempted to visit with plant officials at 7 plants in this very difficult county. Aide's weekly reports of referrals show 25 recorded and "a number" of others, of whom 14 were males and 11 were females. Known placements were 26. The pay rates are unknown but were probably at least the minimum wage requirement of $1.60 per hour. Most referrals and placements were with the Abbeville Mills, a Deering Milliken facility.

Anderson County

Aide weekly reports of referrals show 79 recorded, of whom 24 were males and 55 were females. Known placements were 31. The pay rates are unknown but were probably at least the minimum wage requirement of $1.60 per hour.

The placements are not necessarily the same as persons referred. Follow-up on referrals are inadequate to show more detail such as results, pay and turnover. But those receiving jobs, training, or having taken tests included:

Clerical training referrals	8	(results unknown)
Personnel work	1	(not hired)
Management trainee (finance company)	1	(results unknown)
Textile foreman (up-graded)	1	
Welfare case worker	1	
Cashier in Supermarket	1	
Fiber chemist	1	
Typist at Technical Education Center	1	
Clerical Referral	1	(not hired)
Clerical	1	(hired for 3 days)

The firms involved include:

Seven textile or textile related companies, the Technical Education Center, the MDTA training program operated by the State Employment Service, the Federal Government, one finance company, one supermarket, and two department stores.

In addition, our Anderson County Aide had been involved in a number of other activities, some directly related to textile jobs and training and others more remote, much of which is difficult to evaluate statistically and the effects are largely unmeasurable. These activities include several meetings with relevant local agency representatives (e.g. Mayor, Chamber of Commerce, Human Relation Council and its Employment Committee, State Employment Service, Technical Education Center, Vocational Education, Adult Education, high school principals and counselors) plant visits, seeking applicants (often unsuccessfully) for available jobs, developing and attempting to develop (often unsuccessfully) complaints

etc. A copy of our Anderson County Aide's final report is attached. (Omitted from Field Foundation Proposal.)

Cherokee County

A copy of our Aides final report is attached. (Omitted from Field Foundation Proposal.) It shows 279 referrals to 15 firms and 165 known placements, in addition to other activities and results which cannot be stated quantitatively.

Greenville County

A review of the Aide's weekly reports shows: 42 referrals, of whom 17 were males and 25 were females. Known placements were 6.

Referrals were made to 8 textile or textile related firms and to a variety of other firms: a machinery company, department store, phone company, transit company (first Negro bus driver), finance company (management trainee) 5 and 10 store, soft drinks sales office and a plastic company (financial reporter).

In addition, our Aide filed complaints on behalf of 13 complainants against 6 firms.

A copy of his final report is attached. (Not included in Field Foundation Proposal.)

Largely because TEAM's central office was located in Greenville, TEAM's director had made some referrals, although the general practice after April 1968 was to refer to the Aide persons who contacted our office for work and for workers. We have made more than 75 referrals from the office including about 50 for higher level work (pay ranges amounting to $80 - $150 per week.) Most job referrals did not result in place-

ments. The higher referrals included secretarial and clerical employment counselor, claims adjuster, recruiting, and Financial Reporter (Junior level accounting at $100.) The firms included Furman University, The State Employment Service and its Youth Opportunity Center, an insurance company, a trade journal (Textile World), a plastics firm, several textile and textile-related companies, and Greenville Technical Education Center (TEC). We have placed two persons in TEC's 2 year textile training program (previously all white) after which they can earn at least $6,000 per year. We also placed a secretarial trainee and a drafting trainee in TEC and arranged for necessary financial assistance. We have not succeeded in our attempts to integrate TEC's Board, its Textile Advisory Committee or its staff, particularly counseling, recruiting and teaching. However, TEC did recommend a Negro for appointment to its board (defeated by local politics), placed about 12 Negroes on various advisory committees (textile committee excluded) and interviewed a number of Negroes, including TEAM referrees, for its counseling (about $8,000--M.A. required) and recruiting ($7,00 with B.A.) jobs.

Spartanburg County

A review of weekly reports shows 170 referrals to 17 textile and textile-related plants resulting in 8 known placements with pay ranging from $1.60 to $1.90 per hour for an average of $1.68 per hour. A copy of our Aide's final report, which reflects follow-up on referrals, is attached. (Omitted from Field Foundation Proposal.)

Greenwood County

The Aides selected have functioned only minimally. However, about 25 specific referrals were made by the Director of persons laid off from a garment company to a man-made fibers company in addition to blanket referrals (through churches, organizations, etc.) to that company. The possible rates of pay ranged upward from around $75 per week. However, the results of these referrals are unknown.

Newberry County

Our Aide has functioned only minimally. An employment committee was organized and a complaint has been filed.

Pickens County

Our Aide has functioned minimally.

Union County

This was one of our successful counties as measured by number of jobs. A review of weekly reports from our Union County Aide shows that she made at least 214 referrals including 73 males and 142 females to 13 firms and that 141 are known to have been placed. The pay ranged from $1.60 (the vast majority) to $2.50 per hour. In most cases the $1.60 represented the entry level and the worker could expect periodic (usually weekly) raises to about $1.90 and above. Assuming no raises, the average pay of referrees in Union County is $1.74 per hour. The vast majority of the referrals (89) and placements have been to the Union Buffalo Mills complex and the others were sprinkled over 11 other firms. The jobs run the gamut of unskilled, semi-skilled and lower

white collar levels: spoolers, weavers, doffers, oilers, spinners, pressers, shipping clerks, inspectors, winders, janitors, cleaners, batchers and clerical. In addition our Aide placed a Negro in the local bank's bookkeeping department and two Negro sales girls in downtown stores.

Our Union County Aide's report for the period is attached. (Omitted from Field Edtn. Proposal.)

Complaints

We have filed approximately 80 complaints of discrimination to the Department of Justice (2 public accomodations; resolved), Manpower Administration of the U. S. Department of Labor (alleged violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act; concluded: companies or employees not covered), on State Employment Service offices (3 all investigated; recommendations made in two), Treasury Department (on bank's refusal to hire) and so on. Most complaints, however, were filed to EEOC and most of these are currently under investigation. None have been resolved. Generally, complaints alleged racially discriminatory refusals to hire or promote, segregated facilities, and disparities in pay and in other working conditions. We have requested one commissioner charge and are considering requesting others. Beginning in June, we have complained to OFCC and where jurisdiction appeared to exist in more than one agency (e.g., a government contractor (OFCC-Executive Order 10925 as amended) with more than 25 employees (EEOC--Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964) who receives another Federal agency's funds subject to Title IV of 1964) we have filed to more than one agency. We have also tried to file on behalf of

multiple complainants (strength in numbers) against a given respondent whenever possible and when no single employee was willing to file. The latter circumstance also gives rise to commissioner charges.

Other Activities

TEAM has pulled together a great deal of information on civil rights generally in the state and in the counties in which werwere interested and specifically on textiles and textile employment, and engaged in a number of related activities. We have goaded agencies to perform their responsibilities, we have done some community organization and we have created some awareness through dissemination of information and through involvement. A few documents are attached which reflect some of these activities.

II. Overall Evaluation

A. There have been many difficulties demonstrated over the past year with the workability of a Federal-private approach. Thus, despite efforts to work together in terms of timing, the timing never quite meshed. The EEOC held its forum in January 1967, and thereafter proceeded with technical assistance visits to some 50 of 100 South Carolina plants prior to TEAM's obtaining a director. OFCC on the other hand began its compliance reviews on "Big Ten" plants in early 1968. The Department of Justice has sued only one of 20 companies referred to it by EEOC and the consent order obtained in that case in June 1968 (summary attached) while the only definitive procedural guidelines available providing

for company action, left much to be desired with respect to its substantive provisions. To date, we have not obtained follow-up information with respect to that order. The OFCC compliance review results and orders have been in negotiation for several months and hopefully will produce definitive procedural and substantive provisions available to community groups to effect dramatic changes in "Big Ten" plants, at least, if implemented vigorously at the community level. Another difficulty is the continued difference of interest between the public and private sectors.

The private sector attempts to have a close relationship with the Federal sector to obtain the obvious benefits of the relationship while at the same time maintaining sufficient independence to feel free to perform its goading role if and when its performance of that very valuable function becomes necessary. The Federal sector, on the other hand also attempts to maintain closeness with the private sector--but not too close, for fear that it may be knowledgeably goaded or attacked. For example, EEOC indicates a legal inability to state specifics with respect to decided commissioner charges and its staffers have, on occasion indicated legal inability (and the companies often exercise their perogative to decline) to state the racial compositionoof a plant visited. OFCC and the Department of Justice are unwilling to be publicly identified with local community persons who might more effectively utilize information and committments obtained. EEOC did not revisit plants to see if specific commitments were being followed through on and these commitments were not as freely

made available to the community as we would have desired. Due, in part, I think, to the political scene, there seems to have been a slowdown recently in the vigor with which most Federal agencies approached civil rights and this seems to be true here, especially with EEOC and the Justice Department. Also, the Federal agencies still tend to respond quickly only in an apparent crisis. For example, a mere threat of direct action (without a complaint) in Greenville brought Department of Labor people within 2 days. But a complaint against the Anderson office brought them in 6 weeks later. A supermarket complaint (see attachment) coupled with a threat of direct action brought in EEOC within about 2 weeks while complaints with no such threat take considerably longer.

Having pointed out some of the difficulties, I think it fair to say that this cooperative Federal-private approach has been fruitful and merits further development. TEAM's relationship with the Federal people at the staff level has produced a relationship and some information which is quite useful to a community-based, affirmative action program--the kind of program which is a sine qua non for affirmative action. I believe the Federal people have also benefited from the relationship. That is not to say, however, that the Federal accomplishment has reached the level of the earlier Federal promise. It is to say that a strong community-based program is necessary to insure that the practice at least begins to approach the commitment.

B. As indicated above, our efforts at record keeping

and our ability to specifically document and report results leave much to be desired. Difficulties have included Aides' inexperience and ineptitude in matters such as our work entailed--job development followed by people development and specific follow-up and record keeping on jobs and wages obtained, promotions, and turnover; the impossibility of obtaining such data when referrees fail to report results, or companies will not cooperate in providing the data centrally, or blanket referrals were made (to churches, clubs, and other organizations); TEAM's own limitations of time, staff and funds; and so on.

With these limitations, however, I do feel safe in saying TEAM has been directly responsible for at least 500 jobs in 6 counties during 5 months of intensive community work. These jobs pay an average of about $1.70 per hour or $68.00 for a 40 hour week or $3,536 per year for the average job holder in counties with a 1960 median family income for Negroes of $1500-$2500 per year. On an annual basis, this means $1,768,000 income (exclusive of overtime) to Negroes in 6 counties resulting from our project budget of $30,000; it means a "per head" cost of $60 per job (exclusive of undetermined expenses absorbed by TEAM's participating agencies.) Such indications as we have are that no person referred was employed at less than the minimum wages of $1.60 per hour and the range goes to $2.50 per hour.

Our data is inadequate to make definitive statements with respect to promotions, higher level placements and turnover.

But we have made a beginning -- in knowledge and in techniques; in implied commitments to see a job through; in morale and esprit de corps between Aides and in communities; and in community organization -- which would be left behind if TEAM and its activities suddenly ceased to exist. For example, we have collected substantial files of information and data on the state, the civil rights posture over the state, the relevant programs, the people, the textile industry itself and the institutions it uses for training and its mode of operation with respect to jobs and job training, the patterns of location, relocation expansion and so on. We have begun the nucleus of community organization in a few counties necessary to translate knowledge into action. We have begun to provide "on the job training" for a few persons in a few communities in the "ways and means" -- the in and outs -- of effective civil rights work. We have made our presence known in areas other than textile jobs and training per se. For example, in Greenville we have been directly involved in the Poor People's Campaign, in organizing two groups to deal with the black awareness issue and welfare (a larger economic security issue); we have played a small role in school related issues such as the public elementary and secondary schools, TEC and Clemson; we have spoken to youngsters; we have caused the local government and Chamber of Commerce (the real government) to take notice and at least make meaningful pronouncements. In Union County our Aide has been prominently involved in obtaining a day care center for children of Negro mothers who

work or might work and has prodded the local governmental officials into a posture of cooperation with TEAM's efforts. Our Aide in Anderson has become intimately involved in the larger labor issue and is considering full time civil rights or civil rights related work. While we have now terminated most of our Aides, those in Greenville and Cherokee counties have volunteered to continue without pay along the course staked out by TEAM. Others may do the same.

While hopefully TEAM will become financially able to continue, I am satisfied that we have made our presence felt.

C. Given the benefit of hindsight, I would make a few general observations.

1. The program ideally should have been set up for a period substantially more than one year and the level of funding ideally should have been substantially higher.

Aides should have been employed much earlier than they were (entailing more money and provisions should have been made for regular exchanges of information between Aides through the use of a periodic newsletter and regular conferences -- the idea being to systematically keep each Aide informed about techniques and developments in other counties for program as well as morale purposes in this often lonesome work.

2. South Carolina is an "undeveloped county" from a civil rights point of view and this is especially true with respect to textile jobs and training as well as in the larger areas of equal employment and economic security generally. It directly needs the kind of push that TEAM tried in a rather limited way to provide.

3. In future planning for a joint private-Federal approach, the activities of all concerned should be well coordinated in terms of timing, and sharing of information. For example, at the field level, it often occurred that we had no advance notice concerning community visits by Federal staffers, but companies were given advance notice. Communication at the working levels were not regular, consistent and full.

4. This had been quite an exciting year.

T E A M

PROPOSED BUDGET, 1968-1969

Director @ 1/3 time	$ 5,000
Secretarial Assistance	1,000[1]
Rent, Phone, Postage, Printing, Office Supplies	1,650[1]
Travel for director and community aides	1,200[2]
Community Aides	10,650[3]
Miscellaneous	500
Total	$ 20,000

Notes:

1. Based on shared office space and secretary and assumption of some overhead and operating costs by the cooperating agencies.

2. Travel for Steering Committee is borne by member agencies as are all other expenses incurred by those agency representatives.

3. Based on proposed twenty-week employment for 5 aides in South Carolina, 3 in North Carolina, and 1 in Virginia. Approximately $1,700 of the total is allowed for extending the 20 week period in some cases, adding aides in more productive areas, to place aides in new areas where circumstances suggest a good return, and to provide training for new aides.

Reading file

Note 13

October 2, 1968

TO: TEAM's BOARD

FROM: Mordecai C. Johnson

SUBJECT: TEAM's Future--the Big Ten

According to the 1967-68 I/D (which is reasonably but not completely accurate) the "Big Ten" (with the exception of Fieldcrest which is not listed as having any South Carolina plants) are in 28 of the state's 46 counties. See chart attached. (Dan River, an immediate target, has 16 plants in four counties: Anderson County, 1; Greenville County, 6; Pickens County, 3; and Spartanburg County, 6.).

By number of plants, the largest companies are Stevens (31 plants), Deering Milliken (16 plants) Dan River (16 plants) Spring Mills (14 plants) and Burlington (8 plants)

Geographic Concentration

The most concentrated of these are Dan River with 16 plants in 4 counties (8 each in Greenville and Spartanburg counties) and Spring Mills with 14 plants in 8 counties--7 in Chester 4 in Lancaster and 3 in York.

While Stephens is widely dispersed with 31 plants in 14 counties, the bulk of its plants are actually in Greenville (11 plants) with 3 each in Chester and Oconee counties so that these3counties account for more than half of its plants.

Dan River, with 16 plants in 4 counties, is also concentrated since it has 6 plants each in Greenville and Spartanburg counties so that 75% of its plants are in these counties. (Pickens County accounts for 3 more).

Heaviest Big 10 Counties

Greenville is clearly out front with 22 "Big Ten" plants. Of these, Dan River accounts for 6 and Stevens accounts for 11--a total of 17 of the 22.

Spartanburg is another key county with 10 "Big Ten" plants and Dan River accounts for 7 of these 10.

Chester (where we have no aides) ties Spartanburg with 10 "Big Ten" plants--7 Spring plants and 3 Stevens plants.

York (where we have no aide) is next with 6 "Big Ten" plants--3 Spring, 2 Stevens and 1 Cannon.

Anderson has 5 "Big Ten" plants - 3 Deering Milliken, and 1 each for Stevens and Dan.River.

Also, Oconee, where we have no Aide, has 5 "Big Ten" plants--3 Stevens and 2 Deering Milliken.

Lancaster, where we have no Aide, has 4 "Big Ten" plants--all Stevens plants.

Union County, where one of our best people is, has only 3 "Big Ten" plants according to the Industrial Directory--1 Stevens, 1 Deering Milliken and 1 Cone--all bad. Additional information indicates that Deering Milliken actually has at least 2 plants (maybe more) here--Monarch Mills and Ottarary Mills--both listed in the Industrial Directory as owned by Pacolet Industries. (Assuming that Deering Milliken owns Pacolet Industries, our figures in the chart are understated as follows:

> Anderson County 1 (called Gerrish Milliken Mills); Spartanburg County 3; Cherokee County 2; Darlington County 1; and Union County 3.

On the basis of the foregoing, TEAM should operated in Greenville (Aide) Spartanburg (Aide) Chester (no Aide now), Anderson (Aide) Oconee (no Aide now) counties at a minimum. In addition (because we've got good people there) we should also cover Union and Cherokee counties. We should consider expanding at least some of our aides. Thus, the Cherokee County Aide might also handle the adjoining York County (involving Spring, Stevens and Cannon) and the Union County Aide might also handle adjoinging Chester County to cover Spring and Stevens as well as possibly the adjoining Laurens County's two mills of Deering Milliken and Stevens.

Our Anderson County Aide might also handle the adjoining Pickens County (Dan River's 3 plants and Cannon's 1 plant).

This would entail more intensive community organization work than has been accomplished so far and thus higher expenses, particularly for Aides working more than one county.

COMPANIES	BURLINGTON	CANNON	CONE	DAN RIVER	DEERING-MILLIKEN	DUPONT	KAYSER ROTH	SPRING	STEVENS	TOTAL
PLANTS	8	2	5	16	16	4	1	14	31	97
COUNTIES	7	2	4	4	12	3	1	3	14	
COUNTY										
Abbeville	1				1				1	111
Aiken						1				1
Allendale									1	1
Anderson				1	111				1	~~1111~~
Barnwell					1					1
Cherokee	1									1
Chester								~~1111~~ 11	111	~~1111~~ 111
Chesterfield	11		1							111
Colleton									1	1
Darlington							1			1
Dillon	1									1
Edgefield					1					1
Florence						1			1	11
Greenville	1		11	~~1111~~ 1	11				~~1111~~ ~~1111~~ 1	~~1111~~ ~~1111~~ 1
Kershaw						11				11
Lancaster								~~1111~~		~~1111~~
Laurens					1				1	11
Lexington	1									1
McCormick					1					1
Marlboro									11	11
Newberry			1						1	11
Oconee					11				111	~~1111~~
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October 23, 1968

Mr. A. G. Trammell
Secretary-Treasurer
Alabama Labor Council, AFL-CIO
604 Lyric Building
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Ace:

Please send me another copy of the "1967 Legislative Report and Voting Records." It looks like a good job and I want our Voter Education Project to have a copy.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 23, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
100 - East 85th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Les:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., submits the attached proposal for consideration by the Field Foundation. We are requesting a grant of $100,000 ~~per~~ a year for a three-year period.

The Field Foundation has been a substantial contributor to VEP since its formation and was almost our sole support in 1968. It is our hope that this proposal merits Field's continued interest and support.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 23, 1968

Miss Judy Osgood
CBS
524 West 57th Street
NewyYork City, New York 10019

Dear Miss Osgood:

Enclosed is the most recent issue of the V.E.P. News, which includes a ruddown on all known Negro candidates for office in the South in the general election.m

Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 23, 1968

Mr. Stephen S. Birdsall
Geography Department
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Birdsall:

Under separate cover I am sending you the most complete registration figures we have for 1964 and 1966. While we have no county-by-county breakdown for 1960, I am sending 1957 and 1958 statistics for several states which were published by the Southern Regional Council in 1959 in a booklet titled "The Negro and the Ballot in the South."

Please let us know if we can be of anytfurther help to you in your project.

Youbs truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 23, 1968

Mr. Eli Evans
Executive Associate
Carnegie Corporation of New York
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Eli:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., submits the attached proposal for consideration by the Carnegie Corporation. We are requesting a grant of $100,000 a year for a three-year period. It is our hope that this proposal merits the interest and support of Carnegie.

I look forward to discussing the proposal with you late Tuesday afternoon, October 29, in New York. If I need to bring any additional information with me for your consideration, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 23, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

Enclosed are the three documents that I promised to send you, two of which were shared with me confidentially; I share them with you on the same basis.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

Enclosures (3)

October 23, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
240 Chestnut Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Viv:

Enclosed are the three documents that I promised to send you, two of which were shared with me confidentially; I share them with you on the same basis.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/ggp

MEMORANDUM October 23, 1968

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Enclosed are the three documents that I promised to send you, two of which were shared with me confidentially; I share them with you on the same basis.

October 23, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

Dear Bob:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., submits the attached proposal for consideration by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. We are requesting a grant of $25,000 a year for a three-year period.

Rockefeller Brothers Fund has been a substantial contributor to the Voter Education Project since its formation. It is our sincere hope that this proposal merits the continued interest and support of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 23, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
100 - East 85th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Vernon:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., submits the attached proposal for consideration by the New World Foundation. We are requesting a grant of $25,000 ~~per~~ a year for a three-year period. It is our hope that this proposal merits the continued interest and support of the New World Foundation.

I plan to be in New York all day Tuesday and Wednesday morning, October 29 and 30, respectively. I will be more than happy to come by to discuss the proposal further, if you so desire. To this end, you may expect a call from me Tuesday morning.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 23, 1968

Mr. Calvin Smith
Central Civic Forum
446 Effingham Street
Portsmouth, Virginia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Several weeks ago you sent us a newspaper picture of yourself and three of your workers--Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Carothers and Mr. Bouie--preparing registration materials at your headquarters. We would like to obtain a copy of this picture for possible future use in the V.E.P. News. Do you think you could get the original for us from the newspaper?

Please send it if you can--with a little more information on the success of your drive.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 23, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
N.C. Voter Education Project
P.O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

I am replying to your letter of October 10 to Marvin Wall, who is out of town.

Priosityiis being given right now to publishing Julian Bond's book on Negro candidates. Marvin advised me to tell you that we cannot givenyou an answer on when work will begin on the Arkansas and Mississippi booklets until we see how that publication is progressing.

Marvin also asked me to tell you that he did receive the list of North Carolina officials from John Morris.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

File

October 23, 1968

Miss Florida Henderson
782 Alam St.
Memphis Tennessee

Dear Miss Henderson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 19, addressed to Mr. Jordan. Pursuant to your request, a complete check of our files indicates that we have your cofrect Social Security number: 587-03-1473.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

File

October 23, 1968

Miss Frenzella Volter
Voter Education Project
701 Walton St.
New Iberia, Louisiana

Dear Miss Volter:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your statistical report for the week ending October 4. Pursuant to the question raised by Dr. Henderson, our guidelines state that VEP funds cannot be used to "get out the vote."

We appreciate your writing, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:zw

October 24, 1968

Mr. James Ford
P. O. Box 7871
University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ford:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on sub-standard housing in Mississippi. Our winter issue of NEW SOUTH is about poverty in the rural South, and it does go into detail about Mississippi.

For additional information, I suggest you write the Mississippi Council on Human Relations, 306 First Federal Building, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

Thanks for writing, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 24, 1968

Miss Betty Joe Buckingham
Library Consultant
State of Iowa
Department of Public Instruction
Grimes State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa, 50319

Dear Miss Buckingham:

Under separate cover we are sending you a publications list from which we will be happy to offer, without charge, individual copies of any of the materials listed. We are also sending you the recent two issues of our quarterly magazine, New South, and our most recent report on school desegregation in the region.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 24, 1968

Mrs. Margaret Connors
Research Librarian
Urban Affairs Study Group
National Association of Manufacturers
277 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mrs. Connors:

Enclosed is a copy of the report you requested. There is no charge. Should you be interested, we would be happy to send you a collection of our recently published materials and magazines, and add you to our mailing list.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

October 24, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Sam:

The function of a recorder is to record -- that means to write. I disagree with you about your ability to write. Will you be willing to serve if you are provided a staff resource person who, incidentally, will be someone from our editorial staff? If after this you really don't want to take on this chore, I will look for someone else. I would, however, be very grateful to you if you would reconsider.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 24, 1968

Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Department of History
University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Dr. Williams:

Thank you very much for agreeing to serve. I look forward to seeing you and Mrs. Williams on the morning of the 13th.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 24, 1968

Miss Dorcas Ruthenburg
2215 Bonnycastle Avenue
Louisville, Kentucky 40205

Dear Miss Ruthenburg:

I could have saved you some confusion if I had simply said that the meeting will begin around noon on the 13th. Therefore, it is quite unnecessary for you to come on the night of the 12th. Your reservations will be adjusted accordingly.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

October 24, 1968

Mr. Dipak Nandy
Director
The Runnymede Trust
33 Sackville Street
London, W.L., England

Dear Mr. Nandy:

I am happy to know you have the packages from the Southern Regional Council. We shall attempt to see that you get all of our future publications.

I, too, hope a consultation can be arranged for. Should it be possible, certainly I would be more than pleased to be a member of the team.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 24, 1968

Mr. D. John Heyman
President
New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

I have read the material you left about the programs in West Point, and have talked with Ken Dean of the Mississippi Council. The Mississippi Council also has been involved with establishing day-care centers in several communities and plans to do more of this. Ken has been working with a Father Joseph Dean, a Catholic missionary, working in the West Point area. They have been discussing the possibilities of creating one or more day-care centers there. Ken has promised me that over the weekend he will try to determine if this is the same effort or a separate one. As soon as I hear further from him, I will write again.

Thanks for the support of the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council. Aside from that

atrocious name, I think this effort has enough promise that it deserves support.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 24, 1968

Mr. Walter Zand
Area Director
The American Jewish Committee
701 Du Pont Plaza Center
Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Walter:

Enclosed is the requested report. Sorry you did not get it earlier.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

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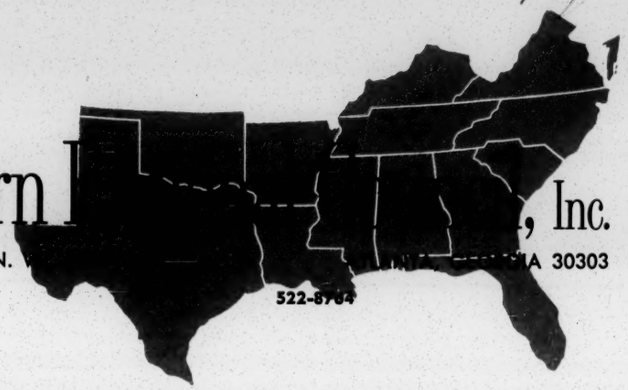

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PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM

October 24, 1968

To: Presidents and Directors
State Councils on Human Relations

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

The Annual Meeting will be held this year November 13-15 in Atlanta at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel. The meeting will begin with lunch on the 13, and will end with lunch on the 15.

This year we are trying an entirely new format for the meeting. There will be a minimum of corporate business, consistent with what has to be done. Most of the meeting will be devoted to Council Members meeting in small groups to attempt to assess conditions in the region and the nation, and to determine what implications they have for SRC.

Several state Presidents are, of course, also members of the Council and the expenses for those persons will automatically be borne by us. However, we will also be happy, this year, to be responsible for all expenses of state Council Directors and Presidents as well. If you can come and if you wish a hotel reservation, please let us know as soon as possible on the enclosed form.

I do hope we will see you on November 13.

October 24, 1968

Miss Michelle Martin
3007 Stratford Drive
Greensboro, North Carolina 27408

Dear Miss Martin:

Under separate cover, I am mailing you some information that may prove helpful to you in your project.

I am sorry to say that most, in fact, all of our publications are geared toward the adult and the information I am sending you may be a little broad for a 13-year-old.

Thanks for writing, and if we can be of further service, please let us know. Good luck on your project.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

October 24, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Glenda Bartley

We have more facts about the South than, at times, the spirit can bear. We know how many poor people, how few jobs, how many mortgages, how few flush toilets, how many registered to vote (but not yet how many dead of the effort). It is the responsibility of the Research Department of the Southern Regional Council to absorb, sort, store, but above all, use, these facts. Perhaps use them to acquire more facts; perhaps to set the record straight, to correct some distortion, destroy some myth; perhaps to initiate research or suggest solutions to the many real problems the facts reveal. It is the initiation of research projects and suggestion of solutions that offers the greatest challenge.

Across the South those who have for the past decade worked in the cause of human dignity see now indications of a renunciation of traditional allies in the struggle, particularly the federal government and the federal judiciary. Growing out of a just bitterness at the federal structure's seeming impotence in enforcement of basic law, the new (and at the same time very old) trend toward "digging in," relying on local people, organizations, is taking hold.

When George Wallace speaks to working class whites of "throwing briefcases in the Potomac," he sounds the anti-intellectual sentiments which have grown around these people's grievances against central government, against racial integration (which they feel is pushed upon them and them alone by intellectuals -- synonymous in their minds with upper class), against million dollar theories and sixty dollar pensions. It is an exquisitely southern irony that many Negroes now share this feeling. And, out of the irony may grow the longed-for (by the intellectuals) alliance of blacks and whites, a merger

of the working class of both races to resolve an issue of common interest to both, such as complete reform of public education. It does not seem possible in the forseeable future (or maybe ever) to unify the poorest of the poor of either race, expecting their poverty to overcome animosities enhanced for generations by their very economic competition. An alliance of the working class, black and white, based upon a tangible issue and possessing fluidity, so that the allies do not face the current lock-step dilemma of intellectuals and labor, may very well be the catalyst to which new facts, new solutions developed by research might be useful.

In the light of the new "digging in" by black Southerners, of the old need to organize working class white Southerners to bargain for themselves in a region mercilessly opposed to their welfare, I feel that the research projects undertaken by the Southern Regional Council should be aimed at using the wealth of facts, acquiring others, to suggest solutions. We should do so with the same courage the Council had in the 1950's when it said in a very positive way that those committed to the cause of human dignity should not merely oppose segregation, but should work to achieve integration, making positive recommendations for accomplishing such an aim; as the Council had in the early 1960's when it, almost alone in the South, supported the sit-ins as positive actions for positive good. We must have the courage to run the risk of being wrong; we must seek dialogue, dissent; we must in small ways begin undoing the terrible intellectual lethargy fostered by fourteen years of war and four years of national policy aimed at stifling dissent. In short, the trend toward "digging in" provides those interested in research and writing a most exciting challenge.

GB:js

VIA AIR MAIL

cc: Voter Project

October 24, 1968

The Washington Post
Subscription Department
1515 L Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Sirs:

In a letter dated October 7, you were requested to discontinue the subscription ordered in the name of the Voter Education Project (see the enclosed), but the Southern Regional Council's subscription was cancelled instead.

It can be easily understood why the mix-up occurred, for our organization has two subscriptions. One in the name of the Council, and the other is in the name of the Voter project, which is a part of the Council.

We hope it will not be too difficult to correct the mistake, but we would appreciate an adjustment being made as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - 1.

October 24, 1968

Mr. Larry A. Barker
9401 West Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23229

Dear Mr. Barker:

Mr. Don Radcliff of the Charlottesville office of HEW called and asked that I send you some material on school desegregation. I am sending you three reports on this subject published by the Council in last four years under separate cover.

Please call on us if we can be of any further help.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan
Research Department

October 24, 1968

Miss Charlotte Roe
Frontlash '68
315 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Charlotte:

Thank you very much for the literature you've been sending me. It's very impressive stuff and I do hope it has a very positive effect in the upcoming election. The material on Wallace is especially good.

Enclosed is a copy of a report SRC recently published on school desegregation. I hope you like it. Take care.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 24, 1968

Mrs. Ernestine Norman
629 East Orin Street
Freeport, Illinois 61032

Dear Mrs. Norman:

It was good hearing from you. I am very sorry I haven't been able to respond before now, but I have been quite busy. As usual I've been in and out of the office and I've had a very hard time keeping up with my correspondence.

Thank you very much for the newspaper clippings. I enjoyed reading them and thought that generally the press coverage of the meeting was very good.

Thank you also for sending the check for my expenses. I was gratified to know that everyone enjoyed listening to me and I do hope I contributed positively to the entire conference. As I stated previously, I enjoyed it immensely.

Please say hello to everyone.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 24, 1968

AFRO B.A.B.Y.
c/o Miss Patricia Norman
629 East Orin Street
Freeport, Illinois 61032

My dear Black and Beautiful Youths:

For some time now I have been wanting to write to you. I had intended doing so shortly after I returned from Freeport, but because of the burdens my job places on me, I never got a chance to sit down and seriously talk to you in the form of a letter. Perhaps I can do so today.

I trust all of you have been doing well. I do hope that your organization is becoming stronger and more well established in the Freeport black community. I am sure you realize by now that a venture such as yours is a very commendable one indeed. It is the kind of thing that more of our black youth should be doing all over the country. Somehow we must come together at all age levels and learn something about ourselves. Indeed, the problem is that for too long we have known so very little about us. And, because you are doing something like this, I am sure that things are going well, though they are a bit trying at times.

In a sense, it is very difficult to tell you how impressed I was upon meeting with the members of your organization. Immediately there was a sense of communion between us. Somehow we recognized our similarities and our differences. But there was a common appreciation for everything about us and this is good. Throughout the time I spent with you, I kept thinking how wonderful it would have been if persons in your age group had organized as you are

organized today when I was still in high school. I must admit that if, with all the energy we had in those days, we could have organized black youth as you have organized, we would have done wonderous things, I think. But instead, we were debating whether we should or should not organize black youth to try to achieve those things we felt necessary for the survival of black people in our community. (In retrospect I do think this is a kind of wishful thinking because you are obviously organized because of the effect the entire Movement has had on all of our lives as black people.) Suffice it to say that you are all very beautiful.

Do remember, though, that in your organization, if you are to be effective, if you are to, as it were, have a clout in your community, you must have command of the facts and you must think through everything you do before you do it. You must be able to deal with the implications of your every action within the organization. And only when you have done something in this manner will you have the kind of lasting effect which I think in the long run is much more meaningful to and for black people than rhetoric without this. I think that while conversing with one of you the night we were together I mentioned this and indicated that this was something that had to be foremost in your minds. So remember to be effective you must have programs. To have good programs you must be able to think on various levels whenever you are pursuing the goals of your organization.

I do hope I will get to see you very soon in the future. Hopefully we can at that time spend much more time together and pick each others minds. Until I hear from you or see you, do take care of yourselves. It's the only thing you've got. Stay beautiful and strong.

Yours in Blackness,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mjc

October 25, 1968

Professor William Tolman
Office of Development Services & Business Research
College of Business and Economics
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky 40506

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is a copy of the temporary class roll. The check marks indicate those who also attended the second session. Please note the spelling corrections on some names. Also note that Mrs. Mary Frakes attended both the first and second sessions. The six persons you showed as possible drop-outs all attended both the first and second sessions. The problem seems to be that their registration fees were not paid. They now think, in most cases, this has been sent to you. You may wish to double-check on that.

I think it very important to send a card reminding all class members of the date of the next session. The announcement about missing October 31 was made quite clearly and I think it will be important for a reminder notice to go to the class members during the week in which November 7th falls.

Both classes seem to go very well.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

Enclosure

via air mail special delivery

October 25, 1968

Mr. Joel Sterns
R. D. I. Box 307
Titusville, New Jersey 08560

Dear Joel:

I am sorry for this delay in getting this report off to you. I hope that it will be helpful in the completion of the evaluation report.

It was indeed a great pleasure to meet and work with you last week. I hope to see you in New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis
Director
Community Organization Project

JL:js

Encl. - 1.

October 25, 1968

TO: Joel Sterns

FROM: John Lewis

RE: Mississippi R & D Evaluation (Community and Black Participation)

During the period of October 11-16, the review team had an opportunity to meet and talk with a number of people directly and indirectly involved in the operation of R & D. We also spent a great deal of time with black community leaders throughout the Delta who had some knowledge of the R & D Center at Greenville.

We spent the first two days in Jackson with Ken Wagner and other key members of the staff of the Mississippi Research and Development Corporation. The staff provided the team with some background information on the corporation structure, budget, program, and methods of operations. (Note reports of other members of review team.)

As a member of the team, I was primarily concerned with the involvement and participation of the black community. Apparently at the inception of the R & D Center, the Foundation made a decision not to work through the officials of the state of Mississippi without the full involvement and participation of independent black community leaders. An Advisory Committee to the Center was organized with such persons as Fannie Lou Hamer, Thelma Barnes, and Unita Blackwell, which gave the black community a degree of

control over the establishment.

The membership of the Advisory Committee consisted of some of the most capable grassroots leaders, not just in Mississippi, but throughout the nation. When John Bell Williams became governor, the Advisory Committee was abolished. One could surmise the governor saw these black, strong community leaders as political enemies -- these women are the leaders of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party in their respective counties. However, some of the blacks that we met with suggested the Advisory Committee existed in name only. The Advisory Committee never had a formal meeting. Apparently, during certain intervals, Ken Wagner would contact certain members of the committee by telephone, visit them in the Delta, or invite them to his home for dinner or a drink.

All of the blacks that we had an opportunity to talk with spoke very highly of Ken Wagner. Some described him as "a good man, walking a tight rope." Others expressed the feeling that he really didn't know what was happening at the R & D Center, for the Center was being controlled by the state through the Department of Welfare and Vocational Rehabilitation. Without question, there was an incredible creditability gap between what we were told in Jackson, at the headquarters of the corporation, and what we observed and discovered as we traveled through the Delta

and visited the Center in Greenville. Some of the blacks referred to the Center as a "political football." When questioned about the Center, others responded, "we have had enough training for the sake of training." Several persons expressed the idea the present function of the Center was irrelevant to the needs of poor people and they were somewhat indifferent toward it being refunded or its survival.

There were no blacks at the Center in supervisory positions. We did observe two black instructors conducting a class in "so-called" basic education, and other blacks doing menial jobs such as cleaning the floors and cutting the grass. We were told on several occasions by the staff of the Corporation in Jackson and by members of the staff at the Center in Greenville that they couldn't find qualified blacks. However, during our first day in Greenville, we discovered at least two qualified applicants, one of which had applied for a position at the Center. At present, the two young blacks are on the staff of the Neighborhood Youth Corps. Some of the blacks stated that the Center was being staffed with the different political interests. We did discover that members of Senator Eastland's and Hodding Carter, III's staff are now on the staff of the Center.

The black leaders in the Delta felt that R & D had to give up too much in order to please the governor, the

Advisory Committee, and the residents living on the base. Many of them refer to the Center as "John Bell Williams' thing." There was a concensus among the blacks throughout the Delta that the only way the Center could be effective with the black population, it had to become independent of the state and place qualified black Mississippians in responsible positions. Almost to a man the blacks repeatedly said, "nothing good can come through the Welfare Department or Vocational Rehabilitation, for they never assisted us."

From our conversation with members of the supervisory staff at the Center and particularly the representatives of the Department of Welfare and Vocational Rehabilitation, it appeared to me that they were prone to blame the victim for his own condition. There was just too much emphasis on "how backward these people are." On the other hand, I didn't get any real assurance that the staff of Graflex was "tuned in" to the problems and special needs of the poor black people in the Delta.

The program seems to be oriented toward training people who are physically handicapped. Nine of the twelve trainees who have been in training since the first of October had some physical problems -- crippled, one leg, deaf, dumb, or one arm. All 12, except one, were from the city of Greenville and the other one was from a small

town called Leland. None of these were displaced farm workers. Some of the leaders of the community and county-wide organizations that we had an opportunity to review stated that they had referred more than 500 people to the Center during the last few months to be accepted into the program. None of the blacks who have been involved in the civil rights struggle have been accepted in the program as trainees or part of the staff.

It is absurd to imagine a lily-white program being effective with blacks in the Delta of Mississippi when about two-thirds of the Delta's residents are blacks and there are black majorities in every one of the 18 counties, except one. In addition, some of the strongest and most articulate black leadership in the state is based in this area. For example, it might be good to take a closer look at one of the six counties in the Delta that the Center is designed to serve:

Issaquena County
(Home of Unita Blackwell)

Total population	3,357
Black population	2,384
White population	1,192

Median Income:

Black - $ 1,500 White - $ 4,000

The Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party is the most active group in the black community in the county. The MFDP engages in citizenship education and community organizing

efforts. It has also been active in such poverty programs as Head Start and Basic Adult Education.

Agriculture is the primary source of income in the county -- crops that provide the main sources of income are cotton and soybeans.

There are several public and private funded agencies working in the Delta in Head Start projects, community development, and other efforts to train the unskilled and unemployed in efforts to generate sources of income. Through the growing cooperative movement, a great deal of emphasis is being placed on the development of self-help enterprises in the black community. The Center is not involved in any efforts to encourage, develop, or strengthen the existing business among blacks in the Delta. It has little or no contact for the most part with several grass-roots self-help efforts in the area, which could lead to greater economic development and ownership among blacks. With a renewal of the Ford Foundation grant, the Center, through the Welfare Department and Vocational Rehabilitation, will engage in more of the same on a large scale.

From my observation, there is not one thing the present operation of the R & D Center could do that would assure the poor, power-deprived blacks a more equitable share of economic power for self-determination for influence in the social and political decisions which would

give direction and leadership to the Delta area and the whole state of Mississippi. Finally, I would only add that from my involvement in the South, including the state of Mississippi, the R & D Center is not an important agent for social or economic changes in the state of Mississippi.

An expansion of the Foundation support of the self-help efforts is perhaps the most creative and effective step the Foundation could take in helping the poor in the Delta, not only to obtain their rightful place in the economy, but in also giving them control over their own destiny with a new sense of pride and dignity. The involvement of people in their own thing helps to develop new leadership and uncovers hidden resources and skills.

The Ford Foundation should make it clear to the Mississippi Research and Development Corporation that its request will not be met unless and until certain conditions are met:

1. The involvement of the blacks and poor at all levels of the Center (policy-making, program development, and implementation).
2. No discrimination in the hiring of staff and the recruiting of trainees.
3. Plans to develop and work with self-help enterprises and businesses among blacks.

Some of the Black Leaders We Met and Interviewed:

1.	Unita Blackwell	MFDP*
2.	Thelma Barnes	Delta Ministry
3.	McKinnley Martin	Delta Opportunities Corp.
4.	John Braford	Neighborhood Youth Corps
5.	Catherine Ceaser	Neighborhood Youth Corps
6.	Charles Moore	Mid-Delta
7.	Robert Clark	Black member of the Mississippi House of Representatives
8.	Howard Bailey	MFDP
9.	Robert Mants	MACE**
10.	Charles Bannerman	MACE
11.	Mathhew Page	Local physician in Greenville, active in several community efforts.
12.	Solomon Gort	Delta Ministry
13.	Willie Porter	Mid-Delta
14.	Fred Mangrum	FCM***
15.	Fannie Lou Hamer	MFDP

Note: Contacted Mrs. Hamer via telephone from Atlanta.

*Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party.

**Mississippi Action for Community Education.

***Friends of the Children of Mississippi

The following are members of the supervisory staff that we met with at the Center. It should be noted that this group is all-white.

	Name	Position	Agency
1.	James Fornea	Director, Contractual Operations	Graflex
2.	Jimmie G. Smith	Manager, Logistics Division	"
3.	Luke A. Terharn	Manager, Fiscal Services	"
4.	Kenneth Tolliver	Industrial Operations	"
5.	Noel Workmen	Public Information	"
6.	Bryon Long	Special Projects	R & D
7.	John H. Griffin	Manager, Auxiliary Services	Graflex
8.	Jim C. Deer	Manager, Engineering and Mechanic	"
9.	Herman Gradlfpol	Director, Basic Education	"
10.	W. E. Smith	Director, Administrative Support	"
11.	Jim Allen	Vocational Rehabilitation Division	State of Mississippi
12.	O. E. Caltedge, Jr.	State Department of Welfare	

The following is a list of some of the federally funded agencies and programs in the Delta area:

Agency	Program
1. Mid-State Opportunities, Inc.	NYC
2. Bolivar County Community Action Program, Inc.	Operation Mainstream Food Stamp Loan Program Head Start
3. Sunflower County Program, Inc.	Operation Mainstream
4. Coahoma Opportunities, Inc.	NYC and Operation Mainstream
5. Northwest Mississippi Development Program	NYC
6. Star, Inc.	Adult Basic Education
7. Child Development Group of Mississippi	Head Start
8. Mississippi Action for Progress	Head Start

October 25, 1968

Mr. Gary Pavela
NAT Program
Wesleyan University
Middletown, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Pavela:

To begin with, we basically like your piece on Americus, but feel that it could be strengthened. If possible, for instance, where on page 3 you speak of "progress" in employment, we have the word of local whites that it has occurred, the implication from the author that it hasn't -- but no substantial figures either way. Would it be possible for this gap to be filled?

More serious, however, is what seems to us an oversimplification of the basic problem, crediting the white need to insure political supremacy as the "only plausible reason for the continuation of these conditions." There isn't any plausible reason, really. Nothing any more plausible, anyhow, than raw racism, which is simply interwoven into the culture of a town like Americus.

In other words, whites can't aren't doing anything any differently down there than they have always done, and, as you point out, the town is just one of hundreds across the South where like circumstances prevail. It is hardly news either for Mr. Schumach to report that southern segregationists are fighting delaying actions. They have never done anything else, and increasingly they seem to be successful.

One other point that bothers me more than anything else. There is a growing feeling among those far closer to the grassroots than I that local leadership in southern towns will have to fill the gap (indeed is beginning already to do so) left by the national organizations, and that this is a desirable development. Was there none of this feeling among Americus Negroes? Many young people, you say, will probably leave and I don't question that at all. But is leadership totally moribund -- even the old fashioned, accommodating kind?

To sum it up, then, what we would like to see added are (1) the figurers on employment; (2) a relating of the nature of southern racism to the problem, i.e., the sense, the feel, that the town is really a microcosm, and a classic one, of so many southern towns; (3) some comment on the nature of local black leadership, whether accommodating or nonexistent.

I hope you will seriously consider revisions along these lines because basically I don't think we are talking about more than two or three additional paragraphs. I'll look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - Americus Revisited.

October 25, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Pat Watters

Two things bearing on our information function have become increasingly evident in the past year. One is the enormous import of certain recent southern phenomena -- in large fashion harmful, like the spread of Wallacism and the renewal of southern reactionary strength in Congress, but not without positive factors, like increasing amicable integration and a somehow-holding-together social order (no riots, less escalation of police repression). The second thing that is obvious is that the nation, including often the general public of the South, is largely unaware of the actual influence of these southern phenomena, and of their background and meaning. This is obvious from casual conversation with people, from the increasingly off-key southern reports in most liberal and news magazines, and from the demand for our reports and NEW SOUTH. All of this points to a greater responsibility than ever to provide accurate and informed information, and most especially to interpret what is happening.

This means continued unfooled reporting on governmental affairs, national and local, with emphasis (as in the 1968 school report and the NEW SOUTH rural poverty issue) on the hard facts of failure, this to offset glib pretense that problems are being solved and dishonest criticism that too much (rather than too little) is being done.

It also means an, if anything, greater emphasis on interpreting what people in the South are doigg. The tendency of Negro leadership and organizations and of the small amount of white radical leadership to concentrate on local issues, to avoid even regional organization is a story that needs to be told, explained. Then the nation might better evaluate leaders who claim to speak for Negroes, whether Whitney Young or the latest black power spokesman. We need to explain once more that

southern exploitation and discrimination have produced the bitter fruit of black separatism and the lower middle-class white support of Wallace, alike.

And I think we need to develop our materials with the kind of strong conviction that we have always had, that for the South (and inferentially for the nation), integration of the races is the only social, philosophical, and practical solution for the problems that continue to rob Southerners of their right to full development as human beings. To sound this theme with certainty and with hard-nosed, unfooled facing of fact might make us in the next few years a unique voice, crying alone maybe, but not in the wilderness.

PW:js

October 25, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

I am happy to be back at SRC. I thought "More Money For You" was a reasonably good job for what it was intended. You are right about its being aimed at 1967 only.

I would be happy to see the booklet used further in any feasible way. The cheapest thing to do would be simply to insert a mimeographed explanation of the changes. I will attempt to dig out our cost figures for the original printing and to determine if the plates are still available so that you can make your own judgment about reprinting.

In case you did not see the other materials which were developed as a part of the "Minimum Wage Kit" I will send you a kit under separate cover.

By all means stop by on your next trip into Atlanta.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

MEMORANDUM October 25, 1968

To: The Staff

From: Paul Anthony

As you know, our Annual Dinner is on the evening of Wednesday, November 13. President John Wheeler will be the keynote speaker. If you have any special guests whom you would like to invite, please let Mildred know in the next few days.

Also, please indicate on the attached sheet the meals you wish to attend.

October 25, 1968

Mr. Norman Perlstein
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue at 40th Street
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Our Annual Meeting, the meeting of the Board of 100, will be held in Atlanta on November 13-15. On the 13th, beginning with lunch, the oral reports of the officers and director of the Council will be given. That evening, at the President's dinner, Mr. John Wheeler will make the keynote address.

Given the fact that we have attempted to work closely together this year, I think you would find it of interest, and perhaps helpful in understanding more about SRC, if you could be with us on the 13th. This is to warmly extend you an invitation toward that end.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail special October 25, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina28207

Dear Raymond:

Enclosed is the first draft of my remarks to the Annual Meeting. The writing is rough and I will want to work on it, to add one or two additional thoughts, and to generally clean it up. But this, in essence,is what I am considering saying. I thought it might be helpful for you to have this before we get together on Wednesday.

I will call you early next week to let you know my schedule. But, of course, I plan to be there around mid-day.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

October 25, 1968

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
P. O. Box 6056
Richmond, Virginia 23222

Dear Dr. Hancock:

We are so glad to know that you can attend the Annual Meeting. This is just a reminder that we will, of course, be responsible for your expenses.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 25, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street - Rm. 208
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

I write this out of some concern as a result of our conference on Thursday. I am assuming that there is some unhappiness and displeasure on your part with me and my attitude relative to your leaving the South Carolina Voter Education Project. If that is correct, I regret it very much, and find it terribly unfortunate.

Please know that I harbor no ill feelings toward you or the decision that you have made. It is a personal one, and one that only you, after due course, could make. Having made that decision, you have my every good wish for what I am certain is a very bright and excellent future.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 25, 1968

Mr. Kevin Wall
Market Research Development Department
The Coca Cola Company
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Kevin:

The Voter Education Project will sponsor an unprecedented Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials here in Atlanta at the Dinkler-Plaza Hotel, December 11-14. We anticipate that of the almost 300 such officeholders, some 225 will respond affirmatively to our invitation. These are community leadership persons holding offices ranging from school board membership to city councilman and state legislators.

Before the various dinners and a banquet that will highlight the conference agenda we are planning on receptions or a social period. It has occurred to me that the Coca Cola Company might be interested in taking some part in this aspect of our preceedings. It would be helpful from our standpoint, for instance, if the Coca Cola Company wanted to be responsible for the reception we will have on Wednesday, December 11, both prior to and following the opening dinner of the conference.

These community and political leaders will come from the eleven states the Voter Education Project covers, including Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississsippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Texas.

Please call me at your convenience if I can fill you in further on our plans.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 25, 1968

Dr. Charles H. Thomas
South Carolina State College
Box 1778
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Charlie:

Please know that I am deeply appreciatime of your taking the time from your academic duties to come to Atlanta on Thursday While I have some reservations about the necessity of the trip, I am deeply grateful for your willingness to do whatever is necessary in the interest of the continued and expanding South Carolina Voter Education Project.

Thanks again for your interest.

Warm personal regards.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

October 25, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
The Aaron E. Norman Fund
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debbie:

Attached is a proposal for the Voter Education Project. I am sending it for your information, of course, if you have any interest beyond that, I will be happy to encourage same.

It was good seeing you last week in Washington, and I trust that as a result, all is [redacted] well.

I look forward to having lunch with you and Marvin on Tuesday in New York City.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 25, 1968

Mr. David R. Hunter
Executive Director
Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Dave:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council submits the attached proposal for the consideration of the Stern Family Fund. We are requesting a grant of $30,000 a year for a three-year period. It is our hope that this proposal merits the interest and support of the Stern Family Fund.

I plan to be in New York for a brief time next week and will give you a call on Tueaday to ascertain if there is any necessity of my coming by Wednesday morning to discuss the proposal with you further; assuming of course that your schedule on Wednesday morning permits.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 25, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jesse:

The Voter Education Project will sponsor an unprecedented Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials here in Atlanta at the Dinkler-Plaza Hotel, December 11-14. We anticipate that of the almost 300 such officeholders, some 225 will respond affirmatively to our invitation. These are community leadership persons holding offices ranging from school board memberships to city councilman and state legislators.

Before the various dinners and a banquet that will highlight the conference agenda, we are planning on receptions or a social period. It has occurred to me that the Atlanta Life Insurance Company might be interested in taking some part in this aspect of our proceedings. It would be helpful from our standpoint, for instance, if the Atlanta Life Insurance Company wanted to be responsible for the reception we will have on Friday, December 13, prior to a banquet being held at the American Motor Hotel.

These community and political leaders will come from the eleven states the Voter Edudation Project covers, including Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Texas.

Please call me at your convenience if I can fill you in further on our plans.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Edudation Project

VEJ:nm

October 25, 1968

Mr. Gary Morse
KPRC-TV and Radio
Box 2222
Houston, Texas 77001

Dear Mr. Morse:

I am enclosing the copy of "Voter Registration in the South" you requested in our telephone conversation and also a copy of our September newsletter, which analyzes some of the figures found in the booklet.

If you are still curious as to how the Texas estimate was arrived at, I suggest that you call here again and ask for Marvin Wall, director of research of the Voter Education Project. Mr. Wall was out of town at the time I talked to you.

I think perhaps either State Sen. Barbara Jordan or State Rep. Curtis Graves might be able to help you with estimates on Houston registration.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 28, 1968

Mr. Charles S. Rowe
Vice President
The FreeLance-Star
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

Dear Mr. Rowe:

Thank you for your letter of October 23. It will be good to meet you and your colleagues.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 28, 1968

Mr. Felton J. Capel,
Mayor Pro Tem
Southern Pines, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Capel:

I had intended for a letter of explanation to accompany the check which was sent to you last week in payment for the photographs you supplied for Julian Bond's book. Since the statement enclosed with your letter of October 3 was for $22 for four photographs, we assumed that $16.50 would cover the cost of the three which you sent to us.

Thank you very much for taking to the time and expense to provide us with such excellent photographs. If Julian ever, winds up his speaking tours and returns to Atlanta and our office, I'll pass your message along to him.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

File

October 28, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak St.
Placquemine Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 21. Pursuant to your request the balance from the LAROXE project will be deposited and the records will indicate the same.

The action taken by you as Director, I am sure, was taken as a last resort. We too regret the failure of this project, but we cannot win them all.

We appreciate the interest, and if we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive

TO:zw

File

October 28, 1968

Mr. John Edwards, Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
336½ E. Pettigrew St.
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Pursuant to your letter of October 25, enclosed is the requested information:

Northampton County
Rich Square, North Carolina
Amount granted: $1,450.00
Amount Expended: $1,159.57

Hertford County Voter Education Project
Winton, North Carolina
Amount granted: $1,350.00
Amount expended: $500.31

Bertie County Voter Education Project
Windsor, North Carolina
Amount granted: $1,500.00
Amount expended: $1,435.25

Total amount granted:	$5,450.00
Total amount expended:	4,245.13
Overage:	1,204.87
Amount received:	$4,000.00
Amount expended:	4,245.13
VEP funds:	245.13

If additional information is needed, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive Jr.

October 28, 1968

Professor J. R. Salter, Jr.
Bpx 68
Coe College
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402

Dear Professor Salter:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of "Voter Registration in the South, Summer, 1968" and "How To Conduct a Voter Registration Campaign."

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 28, 1968

Mr. Clarence N. Wood
Executive Director
Birmingham Urban League, Inc.
505 North 17th Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Mr. Wood:

We are enclosing several copies of "Voter Registration in the South," which we assume is the booklet you wanted in your letter of October 25. If you need additional copies, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 28, 1968

Mr. Tom Fesperman
Managing Editor
The Charlotte Observer
P. O. Box 2138
Charlotte, North Carolina 28201

Dear Mr. Fesperman:

This comes to accept formally the invitation to address the Associated Press Managing Editors Association at its annual convention in Oklahoma City on Friday, November 15, at 9:15 a. m. I am most pleased to have this opportunity, and look forward to participating in the Friday morning session. The subject, "The Negro's New Place in American Life," is fine.

I plan to arrive in Oklahoma City on Thursday, November 14, via American Airlines' Flight No. 506, at 3:35 p. m., and will depart on Friday, November 15, via Braniff's Flight No. 8, at 2:00 p. m.

At the request of Mr. Rowe, I am writing directly to the hotel specifying my arrival time, and requesting lodging for one night. Enclosed is my biographical sketch for your use.

Thanks again for this opportunity. I look forward to meeting with you and your colleagues in Oklahoma City.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

October 28, 1968

Mr. Will Molineux
Williamsburg Manager
The Daily Press
Box 1566
Williamsburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Molineux:

Thank you, indeed, for your good comments on NEW SOUTH and the round-up section. I appreciate, too, your taking time to let us know of the events in Williamsburg that we missed.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 28, 1968

Mr. Meharry H. Lewis
Division of Student
Personnel
Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Permission to reprint Mr. Boone's, Mr. Jordan's, and Mrs. Whitaker's articles is granted herewith. The complete text of Mr. Boone's speech is enclosed, as we sent Mr. Jordan's speech to you earlier. We would ask the normal credit line and copyright recognizance.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - 1.

"Minority Group Behavior and Resultant Attitudes Toward Law Enforcement."

October 28, 1968

Mrs. Paul Furham
9660 West Bay Harbor Drive
Bay Harbor, Florida

Dear Helen:

How good it was to see you on Saturday.

Please know that we would be most pleased to have you and Paul as our guests at the Annual Meeting, November 13-15 at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel. Let Mildred know, on the enclosed form, whether or not you want her to make reservations for you.

The correct spelling of the title of Stokely's poem is, "Catalooche."

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

October 28, 1968

Mr. Wilton Dillon
National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20418

Dear Wilton:

There was not as much brilliance in getting Emory and John as there was luck, but I certainly agree with you that we are fortunate to have both of them.

Blessedly, my grand jury services end this week and, our Annual Meeting will be done with in mid-November. After that, I do hope to spend some time in Washington and I shall certainly let you know ahead of time.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 28, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 701
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Here is the further information on the Minimum Wage pamphlet "More Money For You." Our original run was for 10,000 pamphlets and it cost $880.00, Georgia Sales Tax included. If the run had been for only 5,000 the cost would have been approximately $580.00, and if the run had been 2,500 the cost would have been $430.00.

The plates may not be available but the negatives will be, and the printer says it will save anywhere from 10% to 20% of the cost.

Let me know what you would like to do.

Sincerely,

Emory F. Via, Director
Labor Program

EFV/km

October 28, 1968

Mr. Edwin Stanfield
Southwest Intergroup Relations Council
3801 Silverway Drive
Austin, Texas

Dear Ed:

Thanks for the reminder about the Anhual Meeting. It will be held November 13-15 under a rather different format. By all means do plan to come.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 28, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas at Austin
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

I have read your memorandum of October 8 and the other information included with that document.

My only reactions are ones which I have shared with you and Ed previously. These are namely that you give further consideration to the name, perhaps something like Council of the Southwest. This would create some problems because of the lack of identity of the interest. We have had them repeatedly because of our name. However, I think there are some advantages and the words "Intergroup Relations" are avoided. These terms do have a rather bad meaning for many people in our field and with some foundations.

Also, it is imperative that you proceed as rapidly as possible with securing tax exemption. This will not only make your fund-raising task

easier, but it may well avoid stringent, new policies which may become effective after the first of the year.

Warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Edwin Stanfield

October 28, 1968

The Reverend Powers McLeod
The Methodist Church
2252 Allendale Road
Montgomery, Alabama 36111

Dear Powers:

Thank you for your good note. I, too, very much regret that this year, especially, you will be unable to be with us. We will keep you informed of what happens.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 28, 1968

Mr. Thomas Wahman
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

Dear Tom:

As you know, we have been very interested in the formation of the Southwest Intergroup Relations Council and are providing it with staff for six months, along with some modest financial support. We have also recently received, in its behalf, grants from the Aaron E. Norman Fund and the New York Foundation.

This is merely to indicate to you that should you wish to support this program prior to the group's receiving its tax exemption, we would be more than happy to receive the

funds in its behalf, and to see that the funds are used in accordance with the IRS regulations.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Edwin Stanfield
Professor Joseph Witherspoon

October 28, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Bob Anderson

Whatever the outcome oftthe elections, we will probably be governed by a president who polls less than a popular majority. Given the apparent national mood, we can expect less strict enforcement of civil rights legislation than we have hitherto experienced.

The question, I think, to which the Council must address itself is whether an agency such as we are which stands for integration, is an anachronism. I would say that if integration is not relevant, neither is sanity, justice, or mercy. But the difference between now and 1951 when the Council first articulated its support of integration is that we must now speak to Negroes on the subject as well as to whites. One major obstacle is that liberal whites have come to equate the evolution of black separatism with white racism. I think there is at least one important and vital distinction. Black separatists have come to their state of mind through disillusion with reality, not, as whites, through myth. I think we must develop a more thoughtful rationale for integration and understand that in seeking to influence black and white society, we are <u>not</u> (as yet, anyway) dealing with the same forces.

As for what this means for NEW SOUTH and the directions of our publications, I think it becomes a matter of seeking to widen our scope of readership, of concentrating on the vital issues, of seeking out knowledgeable and articulate writers. Our role is unique. Not long ago I had one of the nation's top civil rights reporters suggest to me that we do a story on the brutality of the Chicago police toward the press, pointing out the potential in the country for the development of a right-wing police state. "If you don't,

it might not be said," he added. As it turned out, others did say it and we did treat the matter as part of the article, "Chicago and the Aftermath: Six Southern Views." But the man's confidence in us and his apparent conviction that the number of agencies willing to take an unpopular, controversial position is so few was at once gratifying and sobering. The years ahead are probably going to be lean ones and lonely ones, but if we fail, let it be because we stood for something, not because we abandoned the things for which we stand.

REA,Jr:js

October 28, 1968

Mr. Theodore Solotaroff
New American Review
1301 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ted:

After our phone conversation, I checked with Jim Wood here, the man who has handled previous sales of books, including my own and ones by James McBride Dabbs and Benjamin Muse. He says that we would probably want to buy at discount 500 copies of the poverty book for distribution and to fill orders coming from mailings. Mailings would go to a list of some 5,000 people with more than ordinary interest in the subject; they could be expected to result in sales not merely through our office, but in stores or in orders to you. If there is a less expensive, paperback edition, we would strongly consider buying 2,500 copies for distribution to our people.

If there are any questions about this, let me know.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

October 28, 1968

Mr. Kurt Remmers
Fair Lawn Senior High School
Berdan Avenue
Fair Lawn, New Jersey 07410

Dear Mr. Remmers:

In response to your request for a copy of our Special Report on school desegregation, enclosed is a copy of, Lawlessness and Disorder: Fourteen Years of Failure in Southern School Desegregation, with our compliments.

I hope the report will prove informative and helpful to you, and if I can be of further assistance, please write again.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - 1.

October 28, 1968

Mr. Donald L. Zimmer
VISTA Volunteer
Horry-Georgetown Economic
Opportunity Council, Inc.
Courthouse Annex, Room 213
Georgetown, South Carolina 29440

Dear Mr. Zimmer:

I am very sorry, we cannot make available to you 100 reprints of the article you wrote us about simply because we don't have them and our budget will just not allow for the cost of having them done. However, you have our permission to reproduce the piece on your own, with a credit line stating: "Reprinted from NEW SOUTH, spring, 1968. Copyrighted 1968 Southern Regional Council."

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 29, 1968

Mr. Paul Rilling
Regional Civil Rights Director
Atlanta Division
Health,Education and Welfare
No. IV
50 - 7th Street, N. E., Room 404
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Paul:

As I hope you know, I am very anxious to answer your letter which I received yesterday as thoughtfully and as thoroughly as I can. I do not want to attempt to do so until I can discuss this with the two people most responsible for the report. One of those persons is out of town, and I will be out of town for the next several days. However, please know that I shall respond at the earliest opportunity and, thereafter, we can discuss the matter.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 29, 1968

Miss Dallas L. Anderson
56 Burbank Drive, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Miss Anderson:

In checking through our files, I was unable to find any specific references to " the effect of black representation in local government on black voting." We do have information on black representation in government and statistics on black registration and voting figures as well as the effect of Negro voting on major political races. I am sending you under separate cover several issues of our magazine New South which deal with these topics. I understand that our publications department has already mailed some materials to you covering voting statistics and Negro political participation.

You might also be interested in the following books.

Climbing Jacob's Ladder: The Arrival of Negroes in Southern Politics by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn; New York: Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc., 1967.

Negroes and the New Southern Politics by Donald R. Matthews and James W. Prothro; New York: Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc., 1966.

Political Participation, A report of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1968. We have a copy in our office if you would like to come in and look at it. I think you would find it very helpful in your research.

We also have a number of newspaper clippings in our files dealing with Negroes in Southern politics. (These files are arranged according to state and year.) If you think that checking through our files might be helpful to you, we would be happy to have you come by and use them.

I hope that we have been of some help. If you can't stop by our office, I'll be happy to help you over the phone if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan
Research Dept.

October 29, 1968

Mr. Joseph D. Olander
430 E. Packwood/Apt. C207
Maitland, Florida 32751

Dear Mr. Olander:

Our Publications Department has referred your request for information on the Negro and the courts to our Research Department.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a xerox copy of a 1965 Council report Southern Justice: An Indictment. Unfortinately the report is presently out of print so I was forced to make a xerox copy from one of our few remaining pamphlets. The cost for the xeroxing is $2.00.

You might also find the following books helpful.

Southern Justice, ed. Leon Friedman, New York: Pantheon Books, 1965.

Race Relations and American Law, Jack Greenberg, New York: Columbia University Press, 1962.

The Petitioners: The Story of the Supreme Court of the United States and the Negro, Loren Miller, New York: Pantheon Books, 1966.

Political and Civil Rights In the United States, Emerson, Haber, and Dorsen, Third Edition, Vol. II, Chapter XIX "Discrimination in the Administration of Justice and Federal - State Relations". Boston: Little, Brown & Co, 1967.

The American Negro Revolution: From Nonviolence to Black Power, 1963-1967, Benjamin Muse, Chapter 15 "Crime and Punishment 1965-1966", Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1968.

I hope you will find our suggestions helpful in your research. Please call on us if we can be of any further aid.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan
Research Dept.

October 29, 1968

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League
Of B'nai B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. Cohen:

It will be a pleasure to be with you on November 11, and I am looking forward to seeing you then.

Enclosed is a biographical sketch; thanks for inviting me.

Very truly yours,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

October 29, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman:
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Coleman:

As soon as possible after the election next Tuesday we want to begin making a list of all Negroes elected to office. I hope you will be able to provide us with the names of the winners in Arkansas.

If I do not hear from you sooner, I will call you the latter part of the week after the election.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

Dr. John Cashin
416 Owens Avenue, N.E.
Huntsville, Alabama 30301

Dear Dr. Cashin:

As soon as possible after the election Nov. 5, we want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials in the South for publication in the V.E.P. News. I assume that you will be keeping close tabs on the NDPA candidates and hope that you will be able to provide me with the names of the winners.

If I do not hear from you sooner, I will call you the latter part of next week.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

Mr. Ed Duffy
Secretary of State's Office
State Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Duffy:

As soon as possible after the election Nov. 5, we want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials in the South for our records and for publication in the V.E.P. News. I hope you will be able to provide me with the names of the winners from the list of primary winners you gave us earlier.

If I do not hear from you sooner, I will probably call you the latter part of the week after the election.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

The Nation
333 Sixth Avenue
New York New York 10014

Dear Sir:

Would you please send us ten copies of the October 21, 1968 issue of The Nation and bill us at the above address.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mr. Barney Weeks
President
Alabama Labor Council
AFL-CIO
604 Lyric Building
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Barney:

Please send me a copy of your recent booklet "1967 Legislative Report and Voting Records." Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mr. Otis Pinkard
P. O Box 1
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Mr. Pinkard:

Many thanks for sending us the picture. It will be used in the next issue of our VEP newsletter. Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mr. John P. Sisson
Southern Field Service
National Catholic Conference
for Interracial Justice
8017 Palm Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70125

Dear Jack:

Sorry to take so long in answering your letter. I have been out of town.

Under separate cover I am sending you ten copies each of "Know Your Georgia Government," "Know Your North Carolina Government," "Know Your Rights" and "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." We are, of course, working on additional know your government booklets, but no others are ready at this time.

I hope you find this material helpful. Come to see us again soon.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mr. Claude F. Sitton
Editorial Director
The News and Observer and
The Raleigh Times
P. O. Box 191
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

Dear Claude:

It was good to hear from you again. Glad you got the figures and we will change your address plate right away.

It's certainly great to have you back in the South. The story at 10 Forsyth Street doesn't seem to be over yet and I look forward to having the opportunity to compare notes with you when you get down to Atlanta. Come to see us soon.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mr. Jimmy Morrisey
Director
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Morrisey:

Many thanks for your letter of October 21. I am returning the registration lists to you since you might have need for these lists in the future. I may be calling you shortly after election day for some analysis of the results there in Hoke County.

I will refer your question about the funds to Mr. Jordan, Director of the Voter Education Project when he returns here from an out of town trip.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 29, 1968

Mr. Johnnie Gay, Mayor
Town of Allport
Humnoke, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Gay:

Taking note of the increasing number of Negro officeholders in Southern states, the Voter Education Project will call together a Southwide Conference of Black Elected Officials here in Atlanta on December 11 14, 1968.

As an outgrowth of the Voter Education Project's various programs in recent years, this unprecedented meeting will provide discussion of general problems common to Negro elected officials, as well as of specific duties of each category of public office.

In preparation for sending out formal invitations to the conference, we need your assistance in updating our files and being sure that our information about you and the office you hold is correct. I would very much appreciate it if you would fill out the enclosed form and return it to me in the accompanying stamped and addressed envelope.

Also, enclosed are several additional copies of this form which we would appreciate your giving to memebers of your town council or other elected officials there, asking that they provide us with the requested information. If you need additional copies let me know.

In the meantime, assuming that you still will be in office as of the conference dates, I hope you will make your plans now to attend. We are expecting some 225 black elected officials to participate, at our expenses, and believe it will prove to be an historic and helpful occasion for all.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mjc
Enclosure

October 29, 1968

Mr. Moses Johnson, Mayor
Town Hall
Reed, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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October 29, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith, Mayor
Town Hall
Menifee, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

October 29, 1968

Mr. Charles Kelley
Mayor
Town of Mitchelville
Route 1
Dumas, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Kelley:

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In the meantime, assuming that you still will be in office as of the conference dates, I hope you will make your plans now to attend. We are expecting some 225 black elected officials to participate, at our expense, and believe it will prove to be an historic and helpful occasion for all.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

Mrs. Patricia C Jackson
Curriculum Specialist
NeaRad, Inc.
440 East Las Olas Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Dear Mrs. Jackson:

The bulk rate for "Know Your Rights" is 20¢ per copy. If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc

October 29, 1968

Mrs. Shelley Mac Arthur
Reference Librarian
Georgia State College
104 Decatur Street, S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. MacArthur:

Enclosed is a copy of "Voter Registration in the South," which you requested in your letter of October 25.

There is no charge.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

Mr. James W. Caldwell
Maury Voter Education Project
512 Hill Street
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

In your last registration report you included a picture from The Columbia Daily Herald of the mule-drawn wagon used to advertise your voter registration drive. We would like to obtain a copy of the picture for possible reproduction in the V.E.P. News. Do you think you could get an original copy from the Daily Herald for our use? We will be glad to credit the newspaper if they want us to.

Thank you for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 29, 1968

Mr. Bill Samuel
Louisiana Voter Education Project
P.O. Box 734
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Samuel:

As soon as possible after the election Nov. 5, we want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials in the South. I hope you will be able to provide us with the names of the Louisiana winners.

If I do not hear from you sooner, I will call you within a week after the election.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
VoterEEducation Project

October 29, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
N.C. Voter Education Project
336½ E. Pettigrew Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Bill:

As soon as possible after the election Nov. 5, we want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials in the South. I hope you will be able to provide us with a list of the North Carolina winners.

If I don't hear from you sooner, I'll call you the latter part of the week after the election.

Thanks in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

October 29, 1968

Miss Jan Hillegas
Freedom Information Service
Box 120
Tougaloo, Mississippi 39174

Dear Jan:

I assume you will be collecting the names of the winners in the school board and election commission elections. Can we get a list from you?

I'll give you a call within a week or so after the election if I have not heard from you and check off the names from the list you sent.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

October 30, 1968

Mr. George W. Shepherd
International Relations
University of Denver
University Park
Denver, Colorado 80210

Dear Mr. Shepherd:

We are delighted to have you reprint Dr. Lincoln's article. The credit line should read: Copyright, 1966, the Southern Regional Council; reprinted from NEW SOUTH, fall, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

cc: Dr. C. Eric Lincoln

October 30, 1968

Mr. Dave Emmons
P. O. Box 3285
Jackson, Mississippi 39207

Dear Dave:

Just a brief note of acknowledgement. We are already pretty well filled up for the fall issue, so it looks like ot will be for winter. For my part, I will be glad to have something of this stature with which to lead off the year.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

October 30, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
100 East 85th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Les:

Here's your copy. I hope I have read you correctly, though the handwriting is so familiar I doubt that I could go too far wrong.

Am saving you a room for the 13th. Do try to come. If you really can't, do let me know.

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson

MMJ
enclosure - 1.

October 30, 1968

Mr. Tom Fesperman
Managing Editor
The Charlotte Observer
P O. Box 2138
Charlotte, North Carolina 29201

Dear Tom:

I am enclosing the vita sheet on Mr. Jordan. It seems to be pretty complete. About the only thing I can think to add is that Mr. Jordan has contributed articles to New South magazine and had an article in the October 21, 1968 issue of The Nation on the black vote. I also am enclosing a copy of the press release regarding Vernon's appointment by the John F. Kennedy School of Government. If you need anything else, just let me know. I enjoyed talking with you the other day. Please give my special regards to L.M.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 30, 1968

Mrs. Jack Carter
2816 Sixth Avenue
Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Dear Mrs. Carter:

Thank you very much for sending us the information about Dr. Guinn. There are now approximately 300 elected Negro officials in the eleven Southern states, and as you might imagine, it is quite difficult to compile a complete and accurate list. In fact it would be impossible to do so without the help of interested people such as yourself.

Again thank you very much for taking the trouble to write us.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

October 30, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: VEP

FROM: Marvin Wall

New registration figures have arrived for the states of Tennessee and Arkansas. The new Tennessee registration figure is 1,840,000, which is an increase of 164,000 over the previous figure. The new Arkansas registration figure is 8460000, which is an increase of 76,000. As in the past, neither of these figures has a racial breakdown.

October 30, 1968

Mr. James Felder
S.C. Voter Education Project
1420 Lady Street, Room 208
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jim:

I haven't heard, but I gusume you'll be around at least a little while longer before you desert God, countyy and VEP. As soon as possible after the election Nov. 5, we want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials for our records and the VEP News. If I don't hear from you sooner, I'll call you the latter part of the week after the election about the South Carolina winners.

Thanks in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells

October 30, 1968

Rep. Curtis Graves
4517 Troost Street
Houston, Texas 77026

Dear Mr. Graves:

Since you were so helpful in providing the names of the Texas legislative candidates, I am hoping you can also give me the names of the winners after the election. We want to begin compiling a list of all the new Negro elected officials in the South as soon as possible after Nov. 5--both for our records and for the V.E.P. News.

I'll call you a few days after the election and hope that you can give me the names of the three races where there was opposition.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

October 30, 1968

Mr. Michael Lottman
The Southern Courier
Room 1012, Frank Leu Building
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear Mike:

Excluding the NDPA candidates, we have the names of 10 Negroes running in five Alabama counties Nov. 5. Since we have no central way of finding out the winners, I was wondering if we could get the results from you a few days after the general election?

I'll give you a call the latter part of next week if I do not hear from you sooner. Thanks for your help.

Yours truly,

Janet Wells
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project

P.S. If you have the addresses of any of these people or can suggest a convenient way of getting them, the Rev. John Morris of our office needs them to send invitations for the VEP's "Southwide Conference for Black Elected Officials" in December.

October 30, 1968

Mr. Stephen D James
President
Citizen Exchange Corps
10 West 46th Street
New York, New York

Dear Dan:

Here is a copy of Congressman Thompson's reply to my letter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 30, 1968

Mrs. Eliza Paschal
201 Ashby Street
Atlanta Georgia

Dear Eliza:

Here is a copy of Congressman Thompson's reply to my letter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 30, 1968

Mr. Edward Moody
700 McDaniel Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Mr. Moody:

Here is a copy of Congressman Thompson's reply to my letter.

Sincerely

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 31, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to the statewide voter education projects in Louisiana, North Carolina and South Carolina. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

October 31, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

October 31, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jim Wood

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mailthe new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also, please mail to addresses in the following categories.

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

October 31, 1968

Mr. Edward Majeski
1927 North Hudson
Chicago, Illinois 60614

Dear Mr. Majeski:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of "Know Your Rights." The bulk rate for this booklet is ¢20. per copy.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mjc
Enclosure

October 31, 1968

Public Affairs Pamphlets
381 Park Avenue South
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a check for $75.00
for which please send us:

500 copies of Pamphlet No. 396

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA

MGS/mv

October 31, 1968

Miss Joan Browning
Federation of Southern Co-ops
52 Fairlie Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Joan:

I drew a blank on the desegregation figures you wanted for Wilcox County. The 1966-67 Statistical Summary (the most recent one available) doesn't even list Wilcox County. The 1965-66 Summary says that Wilcox refused to submit a desegregation plan.

I did find out that Wilcox was not listed among those "Districts Cited for Poor Performance" as of April 14, 1967 in the Civil Rights Commission report of July 1967 (Southern School Desegregation 1966-67). This might boost your theory.

Since the county is presently under court order, your best bet might be to call the clerk of that Alabama district and ask him for the figures. It's worth a try.

I'm sorry I couldn't be more helpful. Keep us posted before you raise the roof.

Sincerely,

Susan Morgan

P.7

October 31, 1968

Mr. Jay Solomon
17 Folts dr.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Jay:

Enclosed are materials on recent high school history textbooks which fairly present Negro history. The best work in our files is the study done by the Virginia Council on Human Relations, copy enclosed.

The other materials are: 2 magazine articles which point out the error of finished products of either all-black or all-white; and, a suggestion that you look up the Senior Scholastic Magazine, issue of which cover I have xeroxed.

Also you will find a copy of press release on an interesting workshop sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Public Schools.

Hope this will be useful, and again, I always enjoy seeing you and Roz. Harry would send his love, but I don't bring him to the office.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

Enc.-25 sheets

MEMORANDUM October 31, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony

We have recently received a communication from Rabbi Charles Mantinband indicating that he is in very poor health and requesting that he be dropped from membership. We would have, of course, respected his request had we learned of this before the Nominating Committee met. Under the circumstances, this is to ask your permission to add the Rabbi's name to that list of persons whom you will recommend as Life Fellows for this year. Normally, I would not request this for several reasons, including the fact that your list of recommendations is already unusually long. In this instance, however, I sincerely feel that Rabbi Mantinband's life and work and his devotion to this agency clearly qualifies him for your consideration. And, should his health be as bad as is indicated, I would like to make certain that he knows of our appreciation.

If you have any objections to this, please let me know. Otherwise, we will include him on the list which will be presented on November 13.

-o-

Original proposal
green copy
to PA.

October 31, 1968

Mr. John Heyman
New York Foundation, Inc.
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York

Dear John:

Kenneth Dean and I have had an opportunity to talk further relative to the need for a day-care center at West Point, Mississippi.

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal which has also been made for such a facility. So far as Ken knows these two efforts are being made separately and neither is aware of the other. This seems like a good idea to me.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1,

October 31, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred, Jr.
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street, Room 4
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Thank you for the information on the action of your Board on October 19. This, along with the action of the Florida Council Board, which meets November 8, will be presented to our Executive Committee on November 13. By then, I hope, we will know what action the Ford Foundation has taken and what funds will be available. Therefore, we shall have as a goal getting from viable Councils their project proposals. These proposals, along with the requests from Louisiana, Florida, and North Carolina, will be acted on just as rapidly as we can, since we all understand the need for

time to plan. We may not make it, but I shall be very disappointed if final reaction to each state Council request is not made before the end of November.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. Moses C. Burt, Jr.

October 31, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Jack:

As you know, our Annual Meeting begins on the morning of the 13. Therefore, as much as I would like to be in attendance at your Annual Dinner on November 12, I cannot.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

October 31, 1968

Professor George B. Tindall
Department of History
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27515

Dear Professor Tindall:

We are so pleased that you can be with us on the 13 to accept the Lillian Smith Award.

There will be a reception at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel at 7:00 p.m., and dinner at 7:30 p.m. At that time two awards, the George S. Mitchell and Lillian Smith Awards, will be made. The recipients of these awards are expected only to acknowledge receipt of them. While I would hope you would have a few comments, an address is not expected. The address of the evening will be given by the Council President, Mr. John H. Wheeler of Durham.

Incidentally, our meeting will begin with lunch on the 13, and on the afternoon of the 13 there will be reports by the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Executive Director.

Should you find it convenient, we would be pleased to have you with us that afternoon.

Please let us know your schedule and whether or not you would like us to reserve a room for you at the Biltmore Hotel on the evening of the 13.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.